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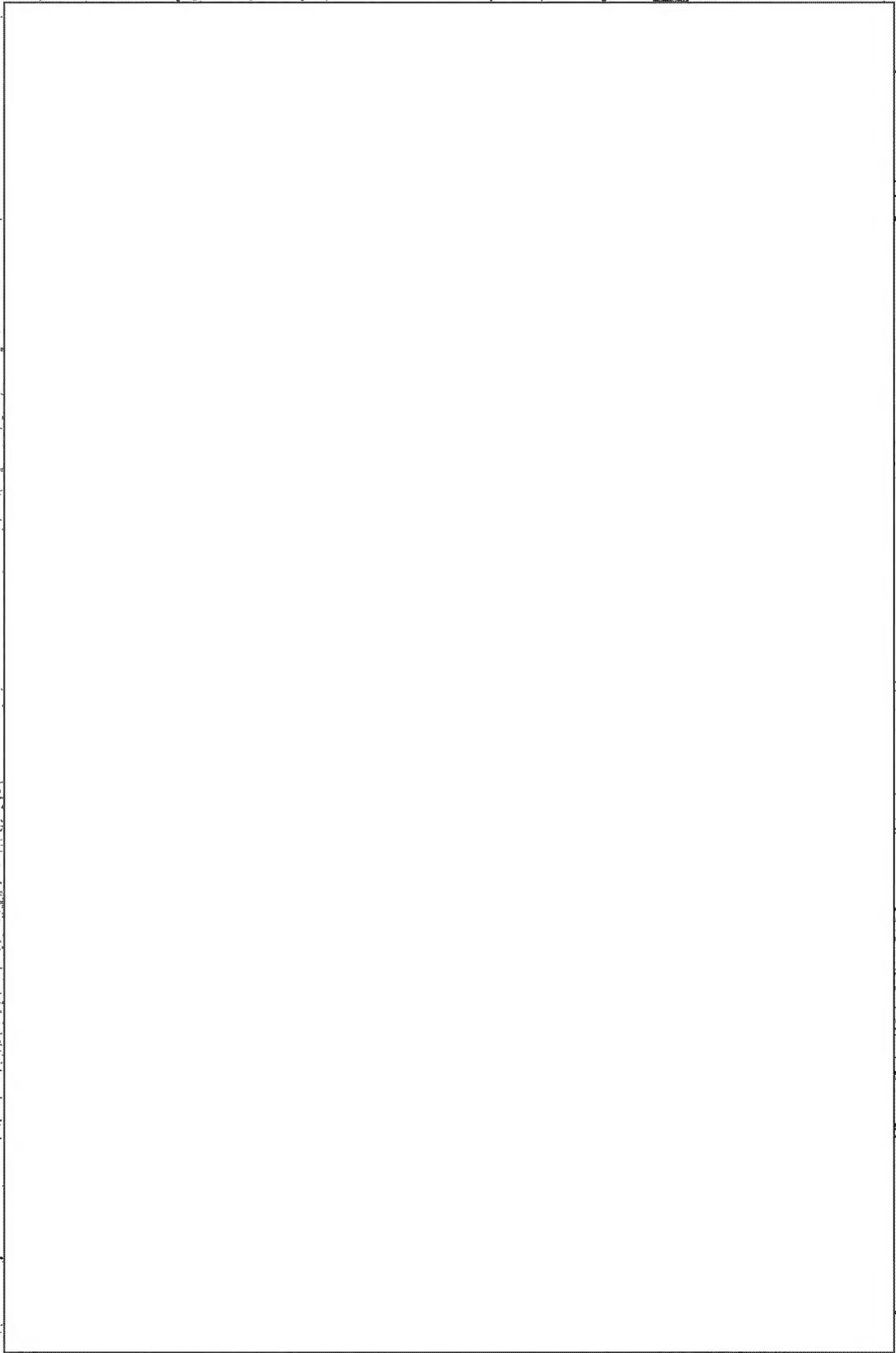
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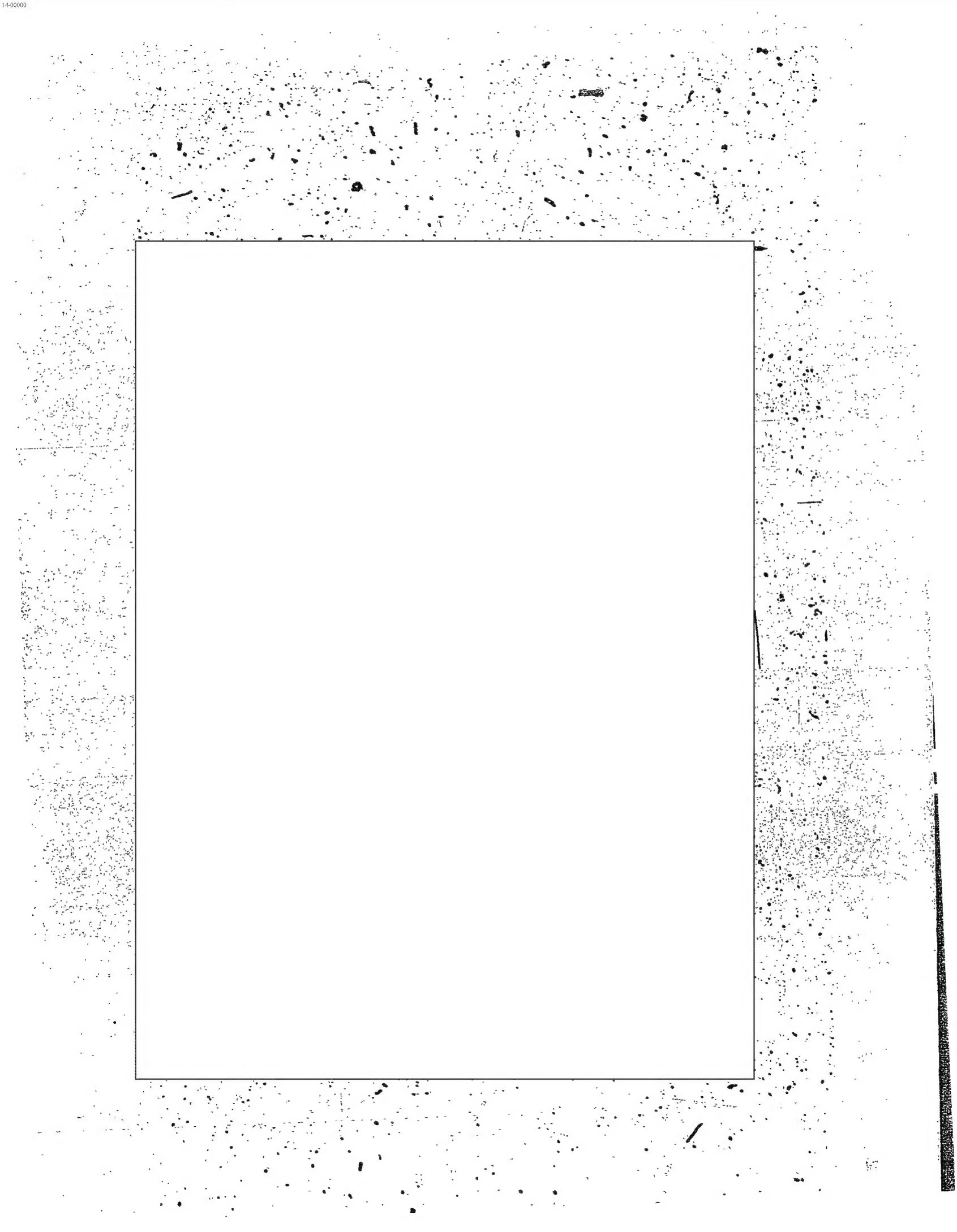
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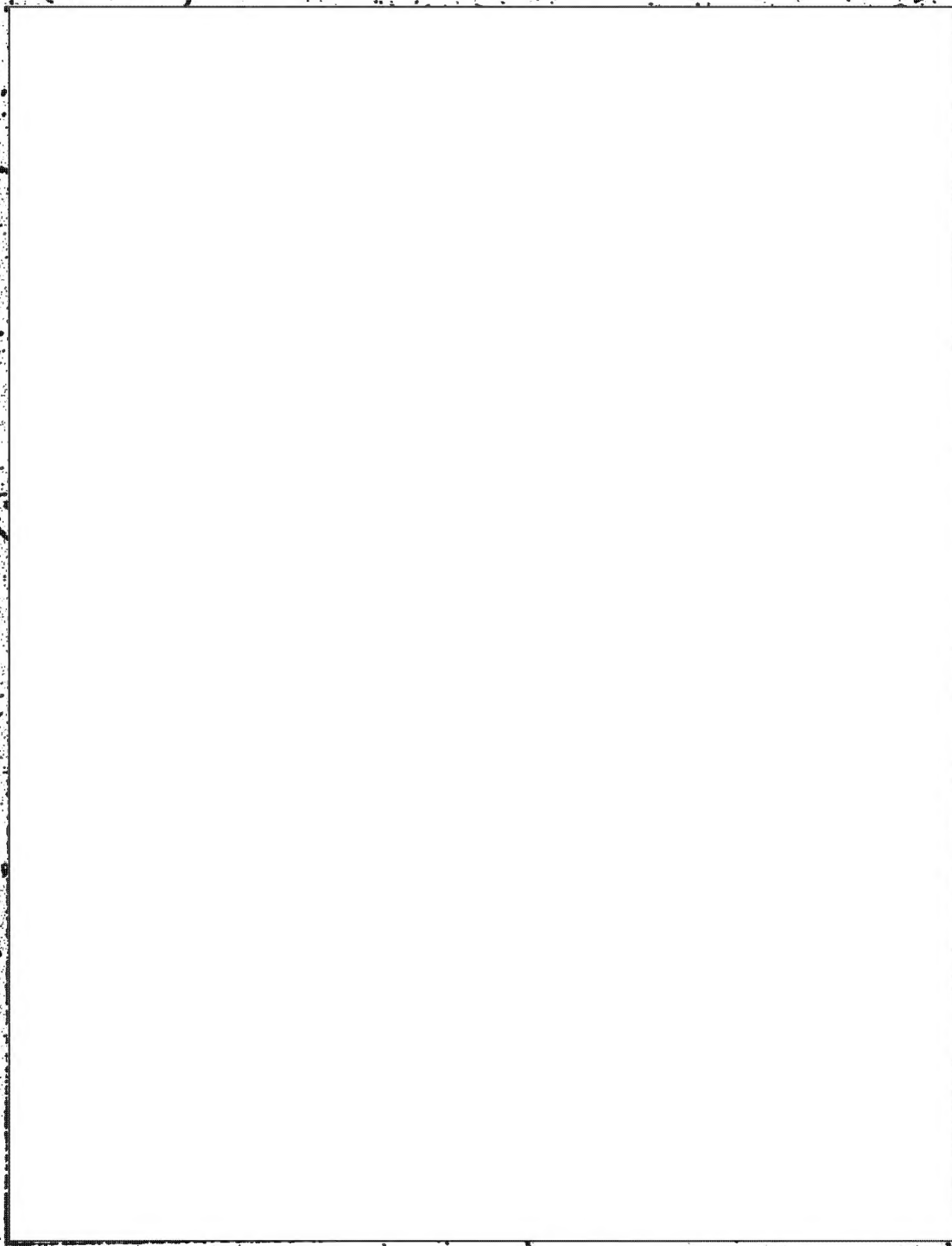
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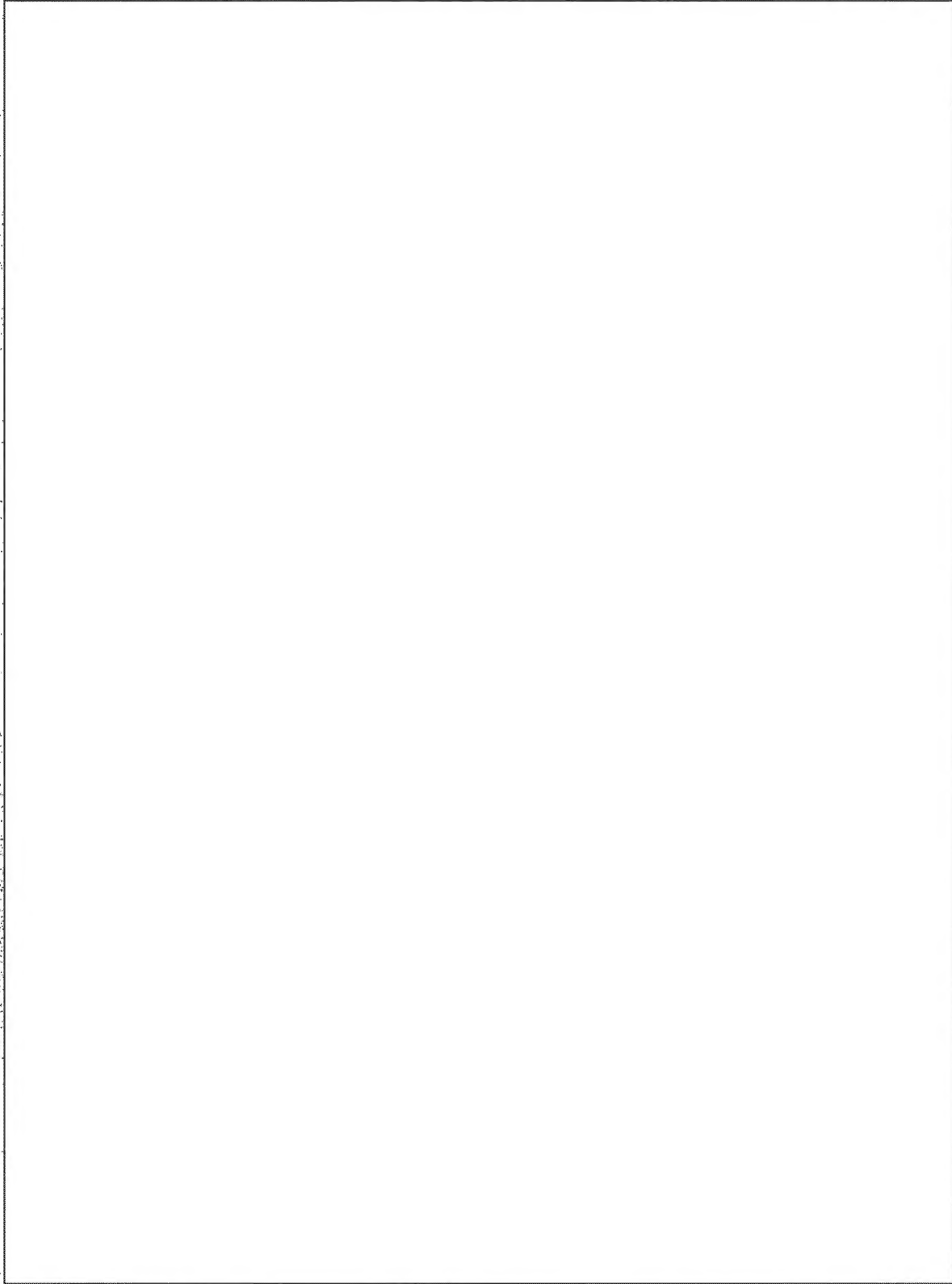
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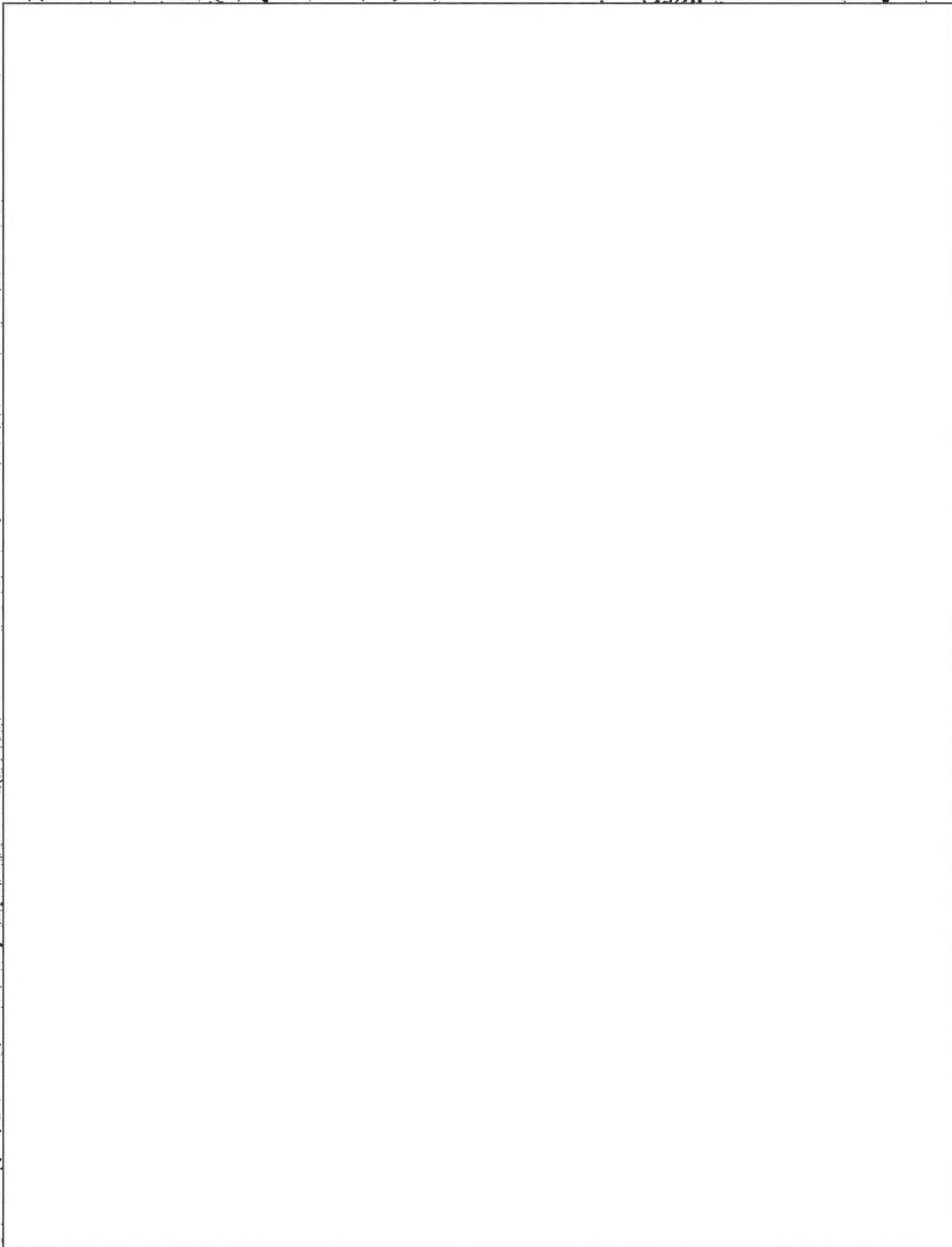


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TO : Chief, WHD
FROM : ~~Asst~~ Chief of Station [redacted]
SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational/JMKEEL
SPECIFIC— Subject of Reference

DATE: 31 October 1957

Reference: DIR 38898, 8 October 1957

Action Required: None, information only.

1. In accordance with reference, there follow details of Subject's case. Attachment A is a memorandum furnished to the local ODACID which reviewed the derogatory information in Station files on Subject. Attachment B is a paraphrased copy of the ODACID cable to Washington recommending a favorable decision in his non-immigrant visa case.
2. By virtue of Subject's youth, his record to date, and his promising future, he was listed as a JMKEEL target in June 1957. Contact was established with him in about August 1957 as a consequence of his non-immigrant visa application, and about six meetings have been held with him since that time, ostensibly for the purpose of fully clarifying his visa status. When and if Subject obtains his visa, PRQ Part I will be forwarded according to established JMKEEL procedure.
3. For Headquarters information, the fabricated information mentioned in paragraph 2B of Attachment A is that reported in HKH-954, 5 January 1955, and HKH-943, 28 December 1954. AMPUTEE admitted to [redacted] on 26 August 1957 that this information was fabricated.

[redacted]

Attachments: U/S/C
A-Memo, Subject: (Subject of Reference) 4 pages in triplicate U/S/C
B-ODACID Cable No. 200, 1 page in triplicate, dated 2 October 1957 U/S/C

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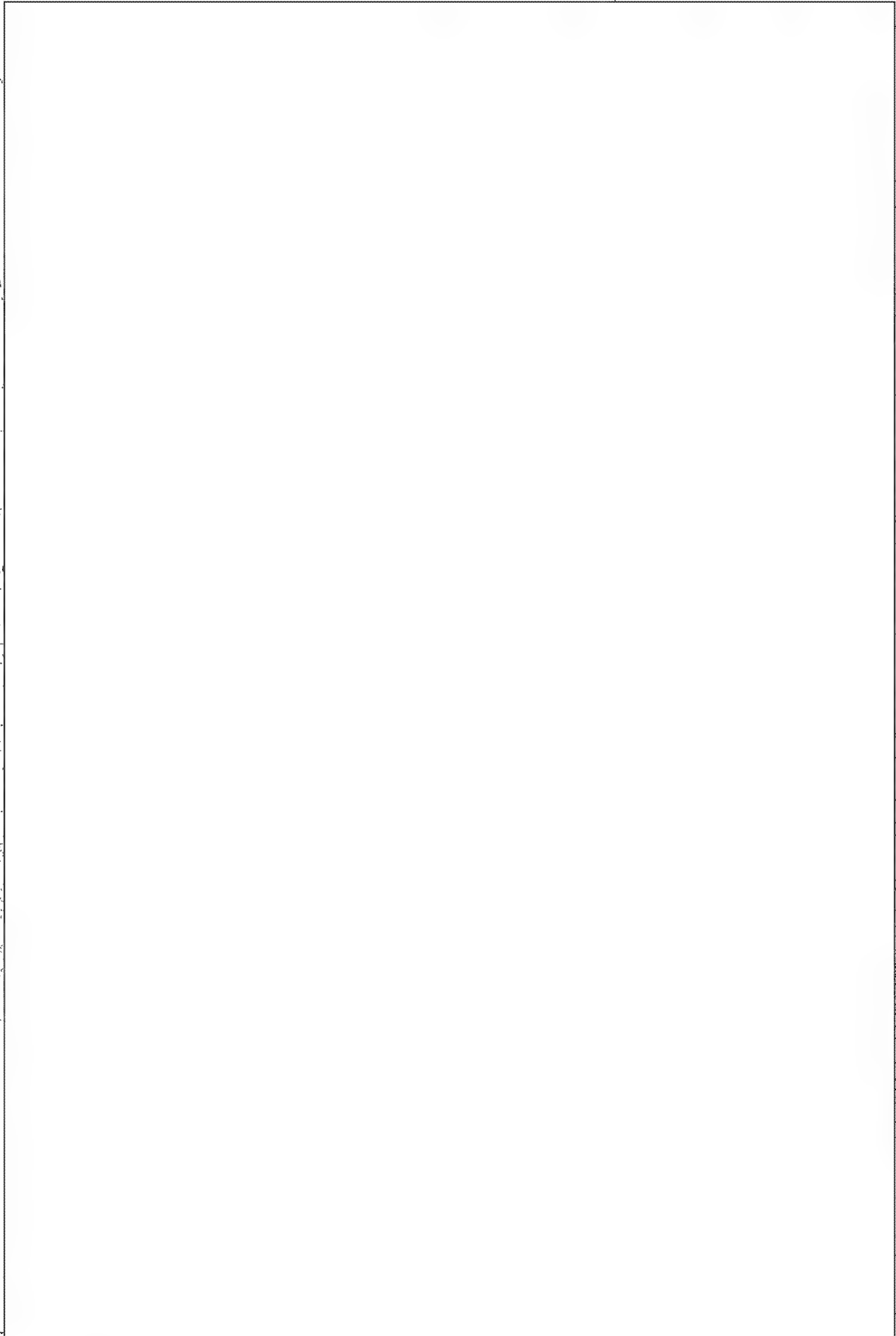
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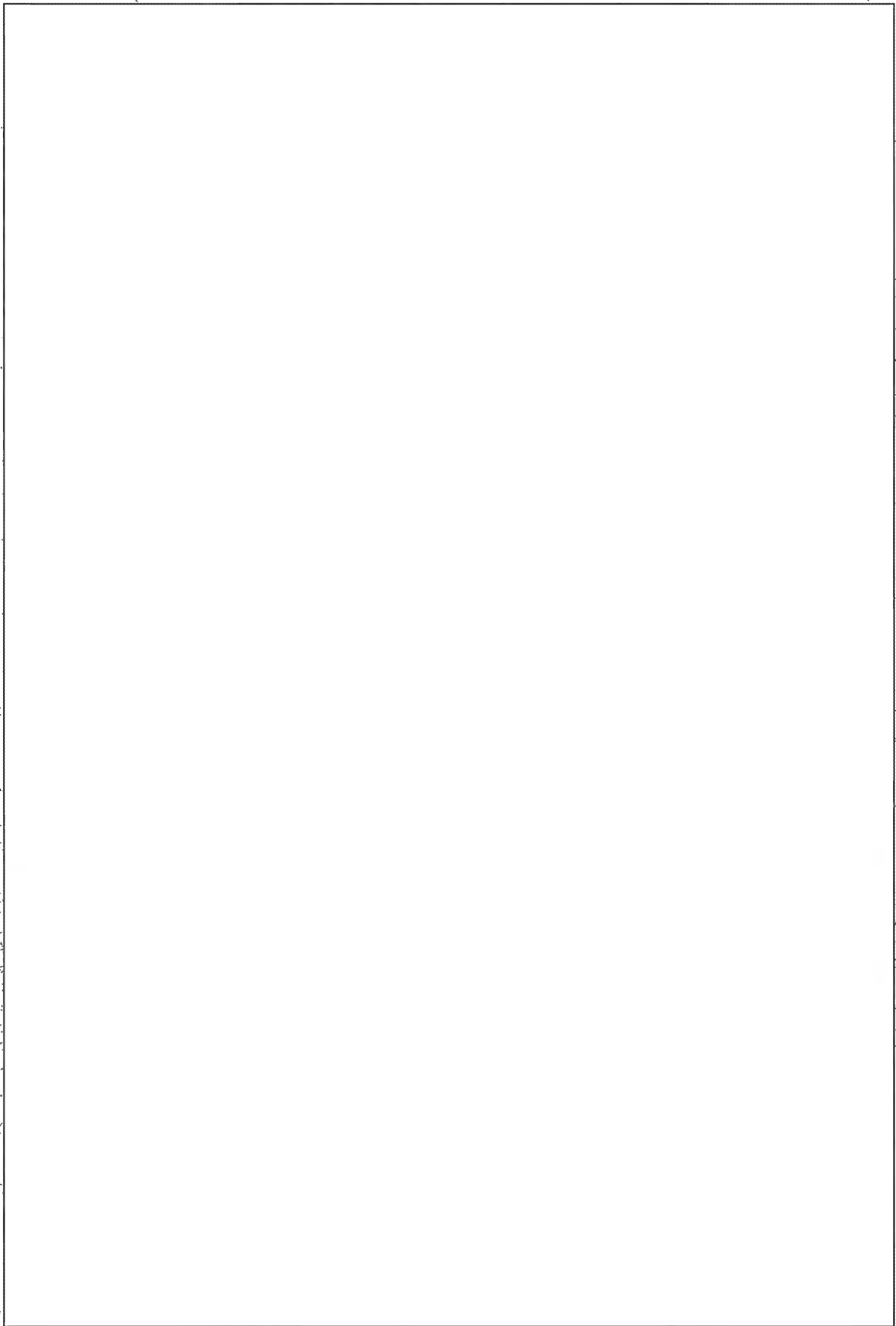
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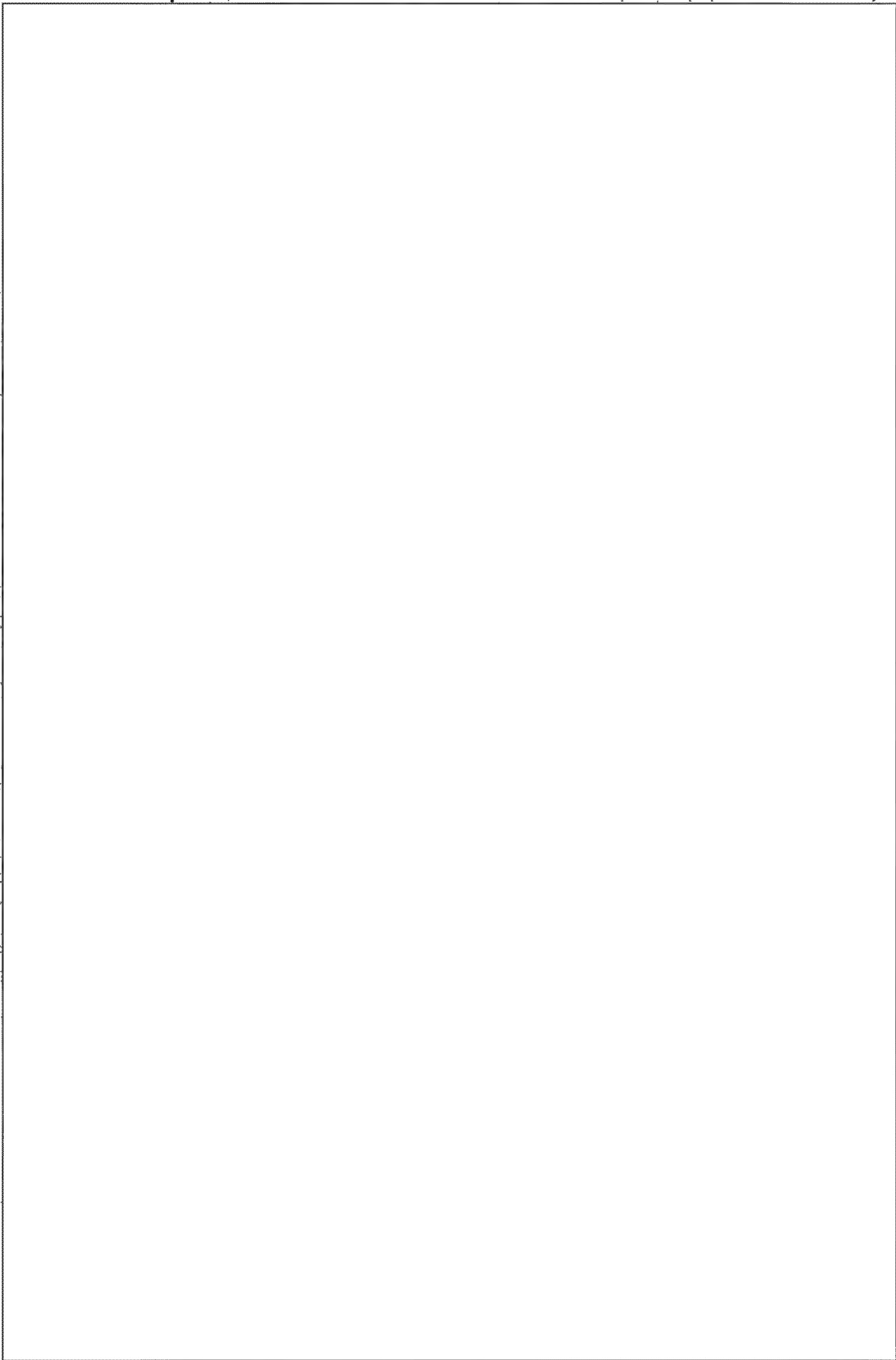
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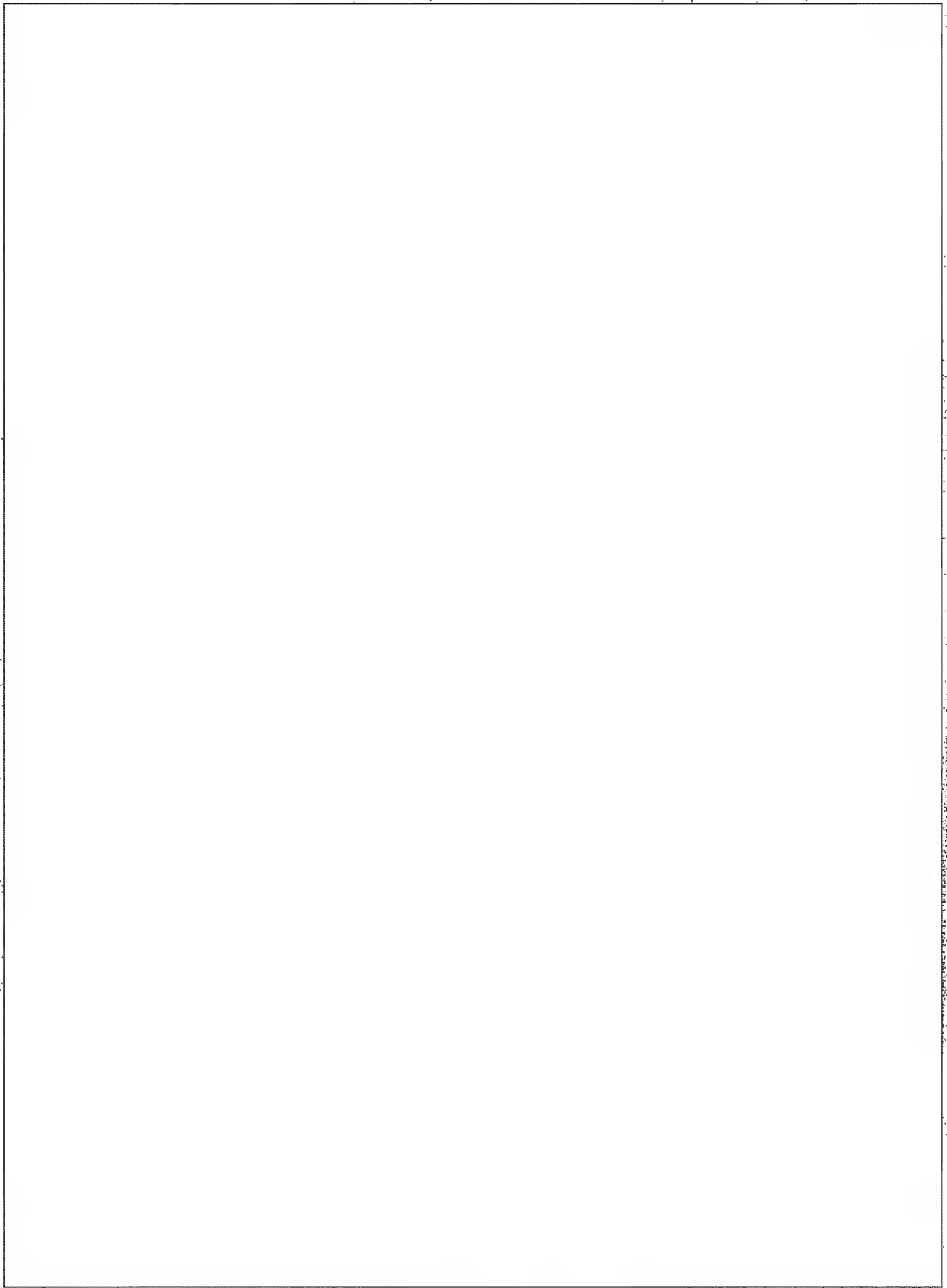
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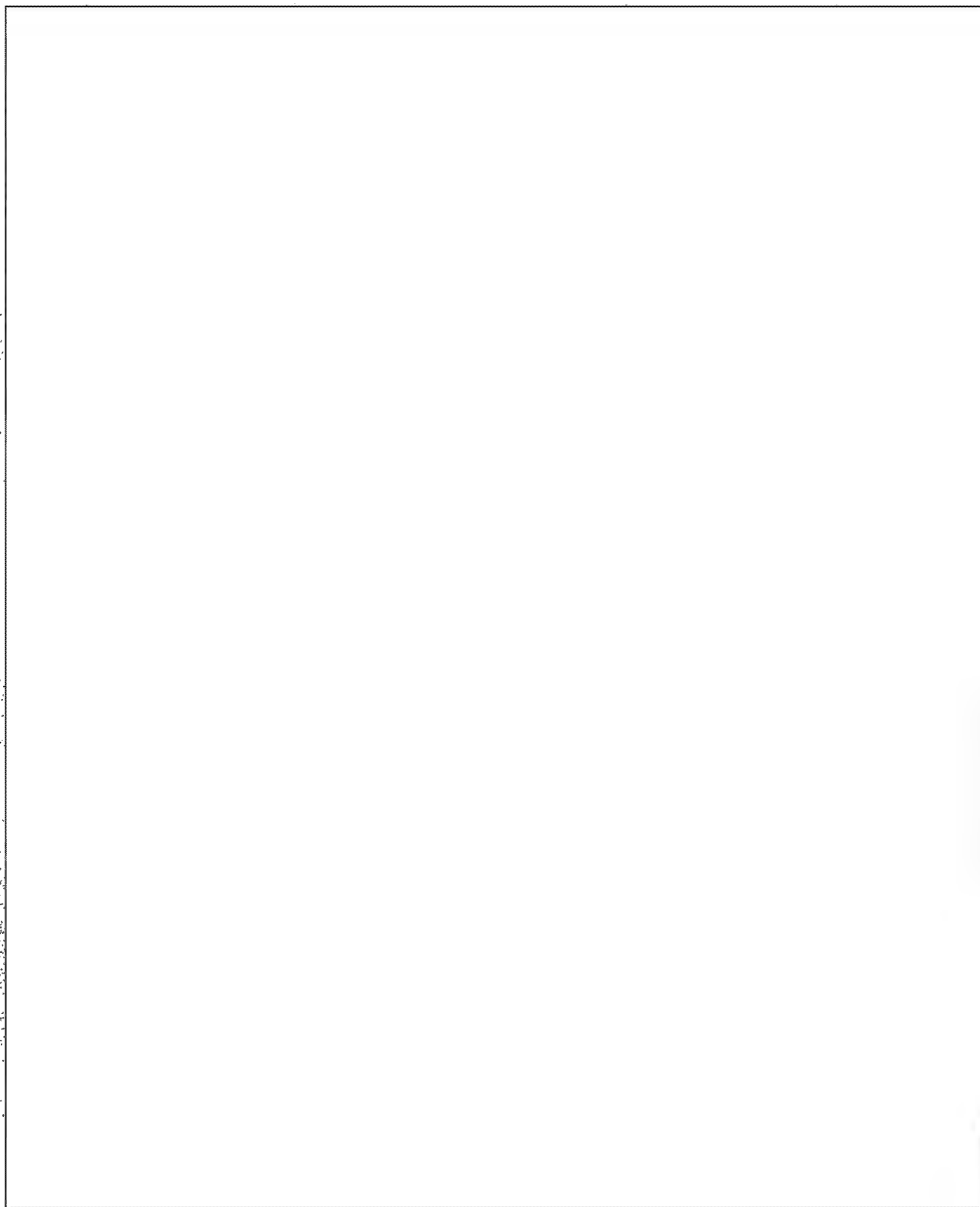


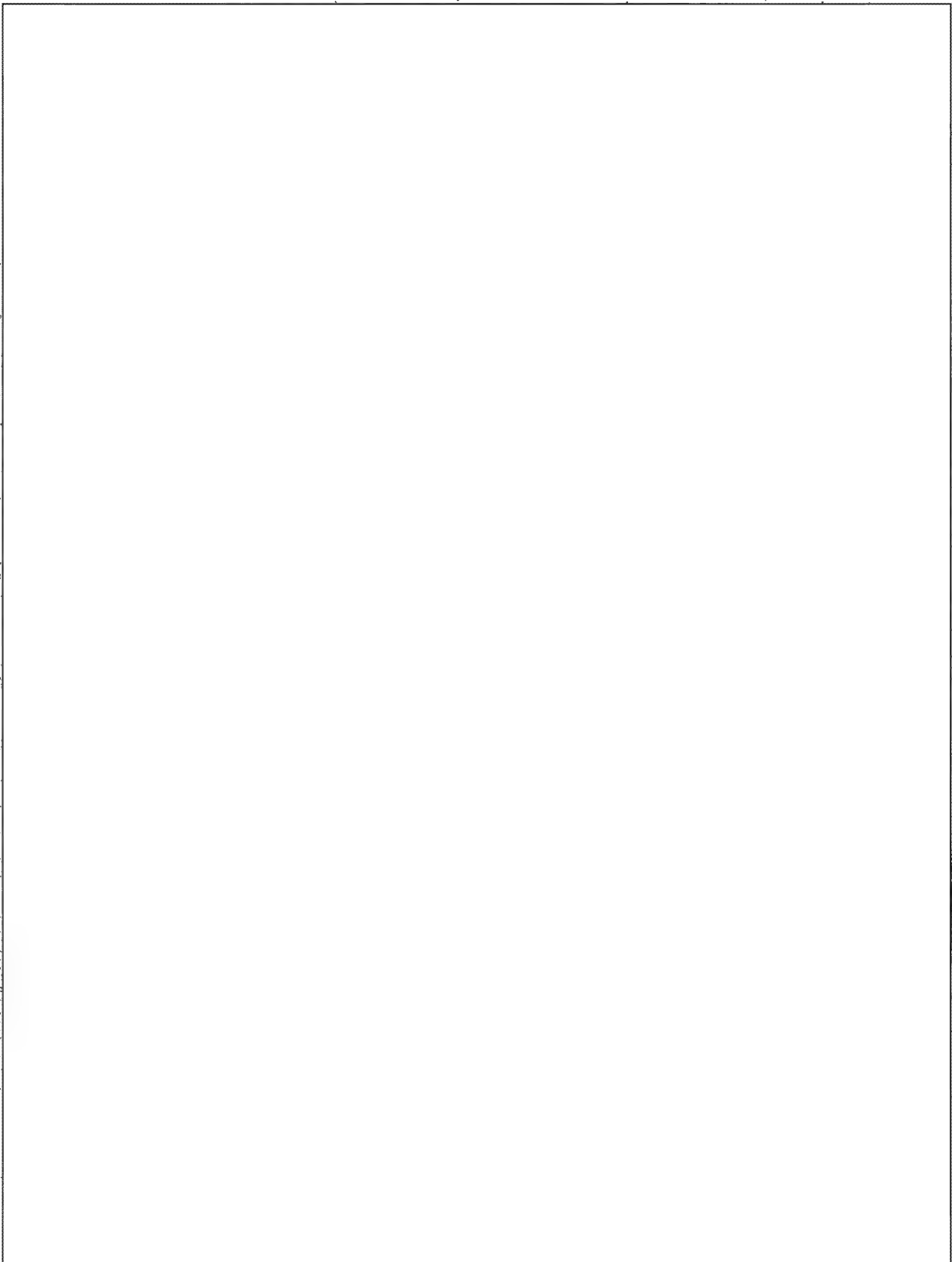


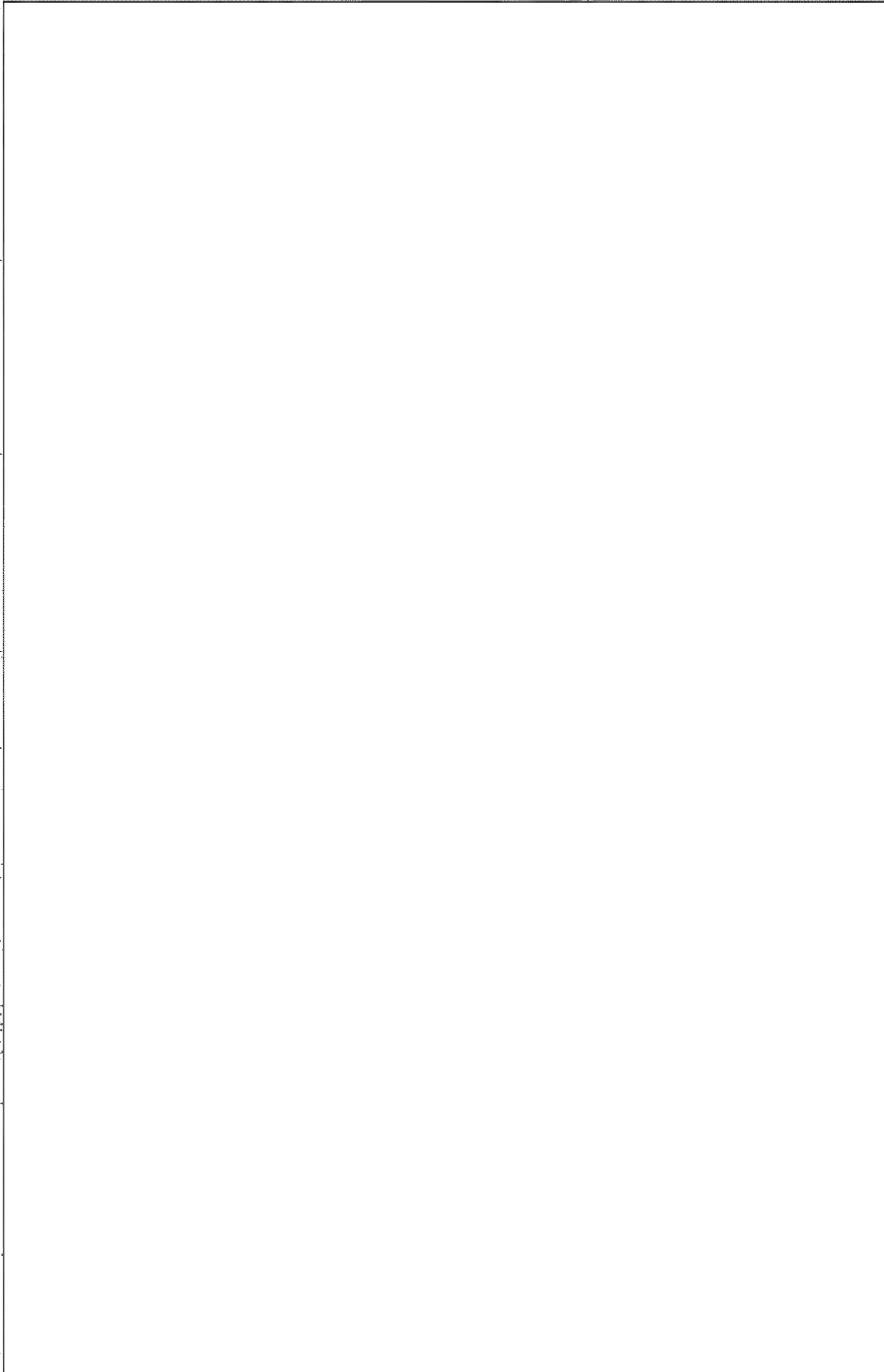


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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF SECURITY
REQUEST FOR SECURITY INFORMATION

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From: **VO**

Date: **10/1/57**

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DIVISION OR AGENCY

VISA OFFICE - Security Branch

REASON FOR REQUEST, OR TYPE OF PROGRAM

VISA - Security Case

DATE

10/1/57

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FROM : [REDACTED]
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REF: A. DIR 38898 (OUT 98169)
B. HKHA 3653

SUBJ PROMINENT ORTHODOX YOUTH LEADER, JMREEL CONTACT
(SEE REF B) PAST TWO MONTHS. FURNISHED DOC INFO PROVE ANTI-
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Comments: [redacted] arranged an introduction [redacted] on 8 July, and he has since been seen [redacted] on several occasions.

The 5 January 1955 report was from AMPLECT (HKI-954); the 6 November 1952 report from AEDU (HKI-27); both were appraised as 3. [redacted] who was denied a visitor's visa in November, 1955 largely on the strength of those two reports from the Station, is still interested in obtaining the visa and willing to clarify his status vis-a-vis the JS and POP with the local OSACID.

It is believed this report will assist in answering that portion of the latest periodic requirements list, forwarded under HKI-W-2379, - the [redacted] concerning [redacted]

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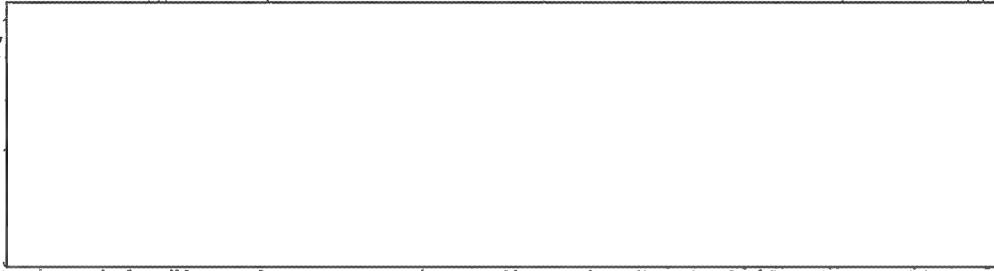
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COUNTRY: Habana
REPORT NO.: HNS-1544
SUBJECT: Name: Daniel RIVARELLA y Carcedo
DATE OF REPORT: 20 August 1957
NO. OF PAGES: 2

REFERENCES



1. There is no Communist penetration of the Orthodox Party youth organization, ~~even~~ although there are probably a few "fellow travelers" or Communist-oriented persons in that organization; if so, however, they have no influence. No split or agreement between the Orthodox youth organization and the Juventud Socialista (JS, Cuban Communist Youth Organization) now exists or ever has existed. ~~Under the Partido Socialista Popular (PSP, Cuban Communist Party) and the JS were outlawed in Cuba, however, all of the opposition parties and their youth sections participated with Communist representatives in opposition speeches and shared a platform with them. This procedure on the part of the other oppositionists had nothing to do with the Cuban Communist themselves, but was carried on for strictly tactical purposes by each opposition group. It is a Communist practice to use without authorization the names of persons of other opposition groups in their manifestos and declarations at times. In fact, RIVARELLA's name was so used by the Communists on a number of occasions without his knowledge; and he had recently to issue a statement in the press to clarify that he is not a Communist, and never has been either a Communist, a sympathizer or fellow traveler. He has been active in Orthodox Party affairs since the late 1940s. RIVARELLA believes that Communist ideology and economic theory is not applicable to the Cuban situation and that it holds nothing of value for Cuban politicians.~~

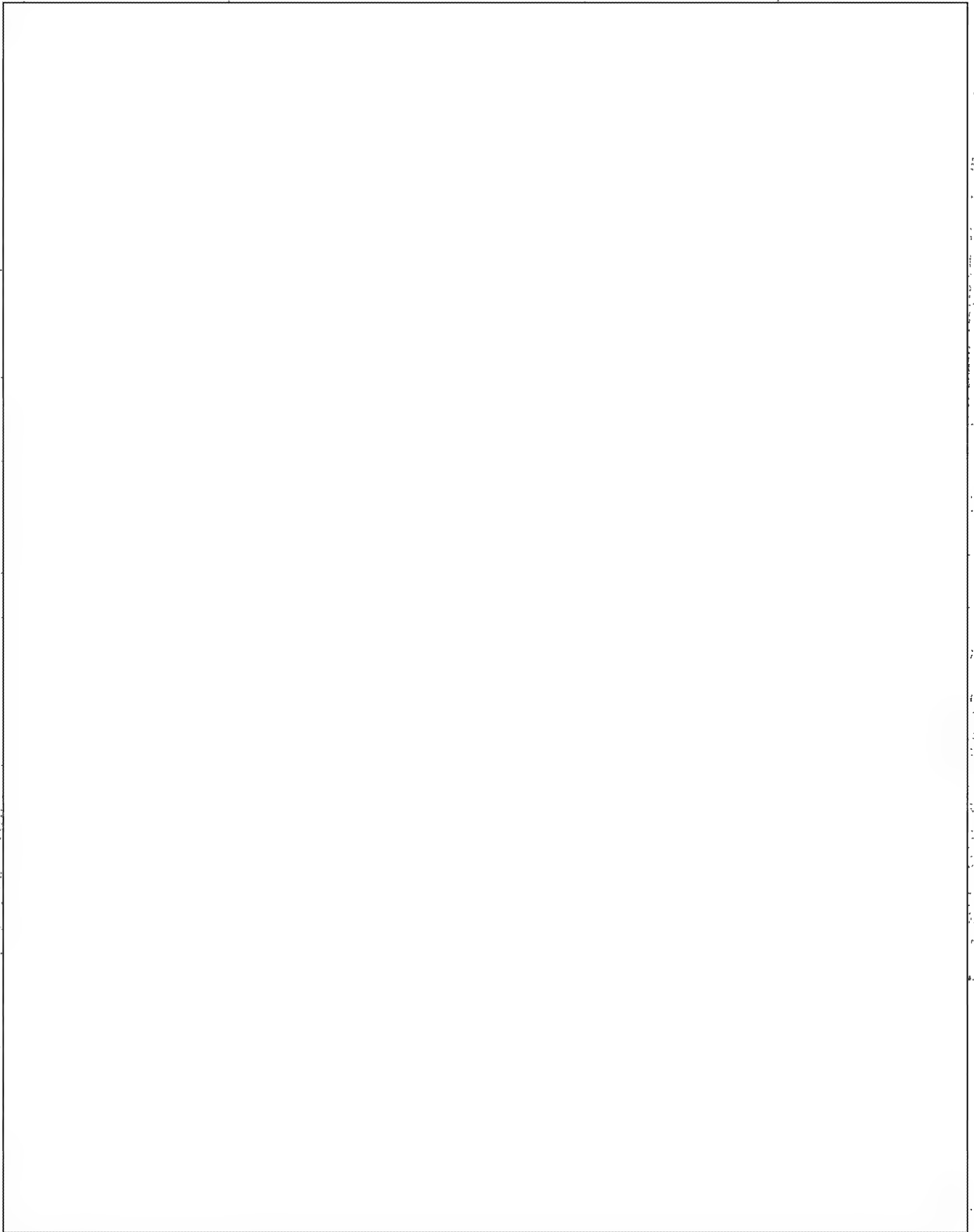
2. At the time of the 1954 general elections, the combined numerical strength of the Orthodox Party youth was between 70,000 and 100,000. Since that time, however, the Partido Nacionalista Revolucionario (PNR, Nationalist Revolutionary Party), led by Jose ANTONIO GUILLERMO, and the 26 of July Movement under the leadership of DR. FIDEL CASTRO has, have grown to such a considerable number of Cuban youth, so that the latter group is at present considerably smaller. RIVARELLA will shortly resign from the Orthodox youth organization and affiliate himself with the PNR. He is a great admirer of Jose RAFAEL TRIUNFANTE who he believes has a bright political future in Cuba. On the other hand, FIDEL CASTRO (HUNTER) / DR. GUILLERMO, a national leader of the ~~International~~ Orthodox Party, does not have the admiration of RIVARELLA nor the latter's appeal to Cuban youth. He appears sympathetic to RIVARELLA that the several independent sectors of the ~~Orthodox Party could combine for mutual support~~.

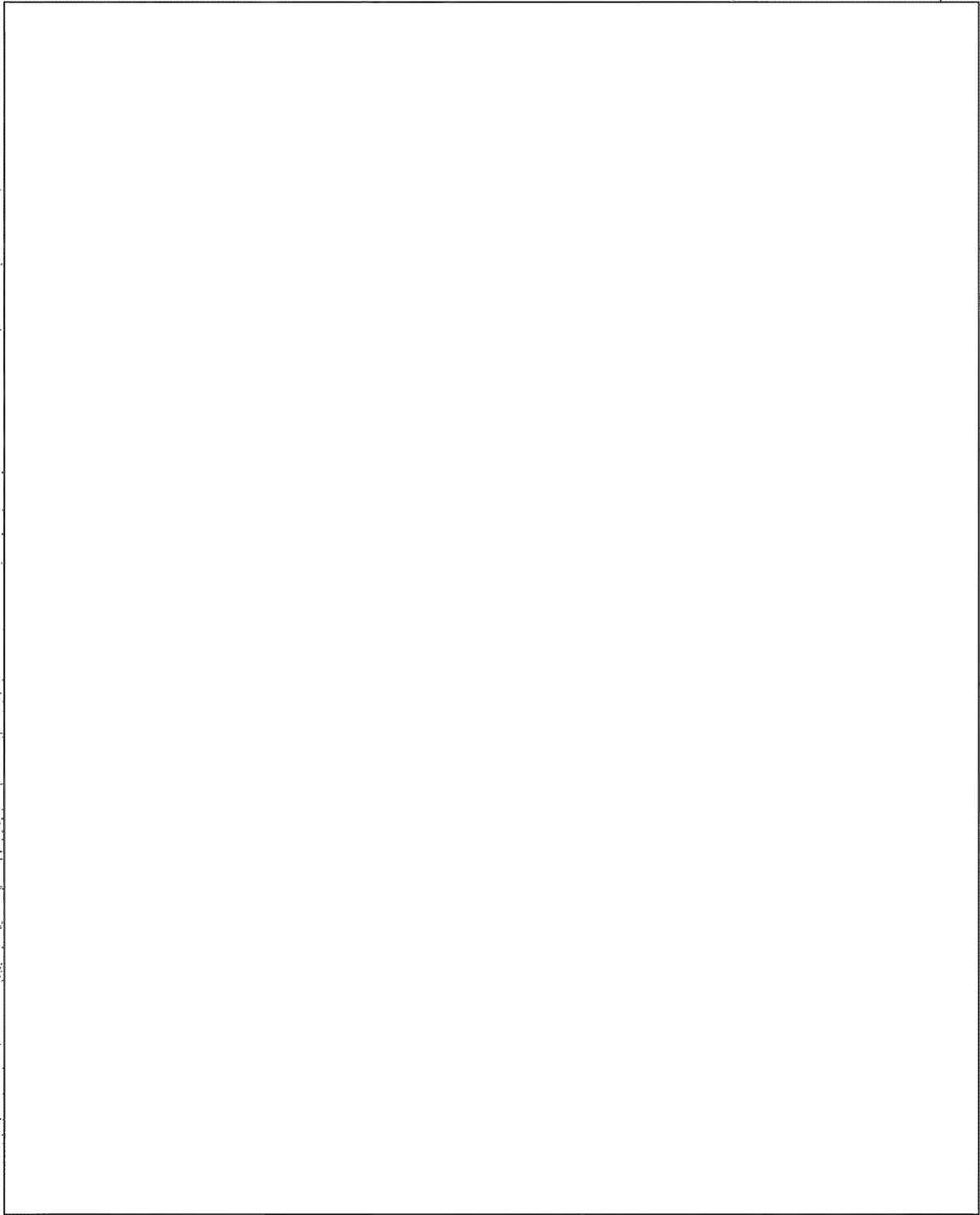
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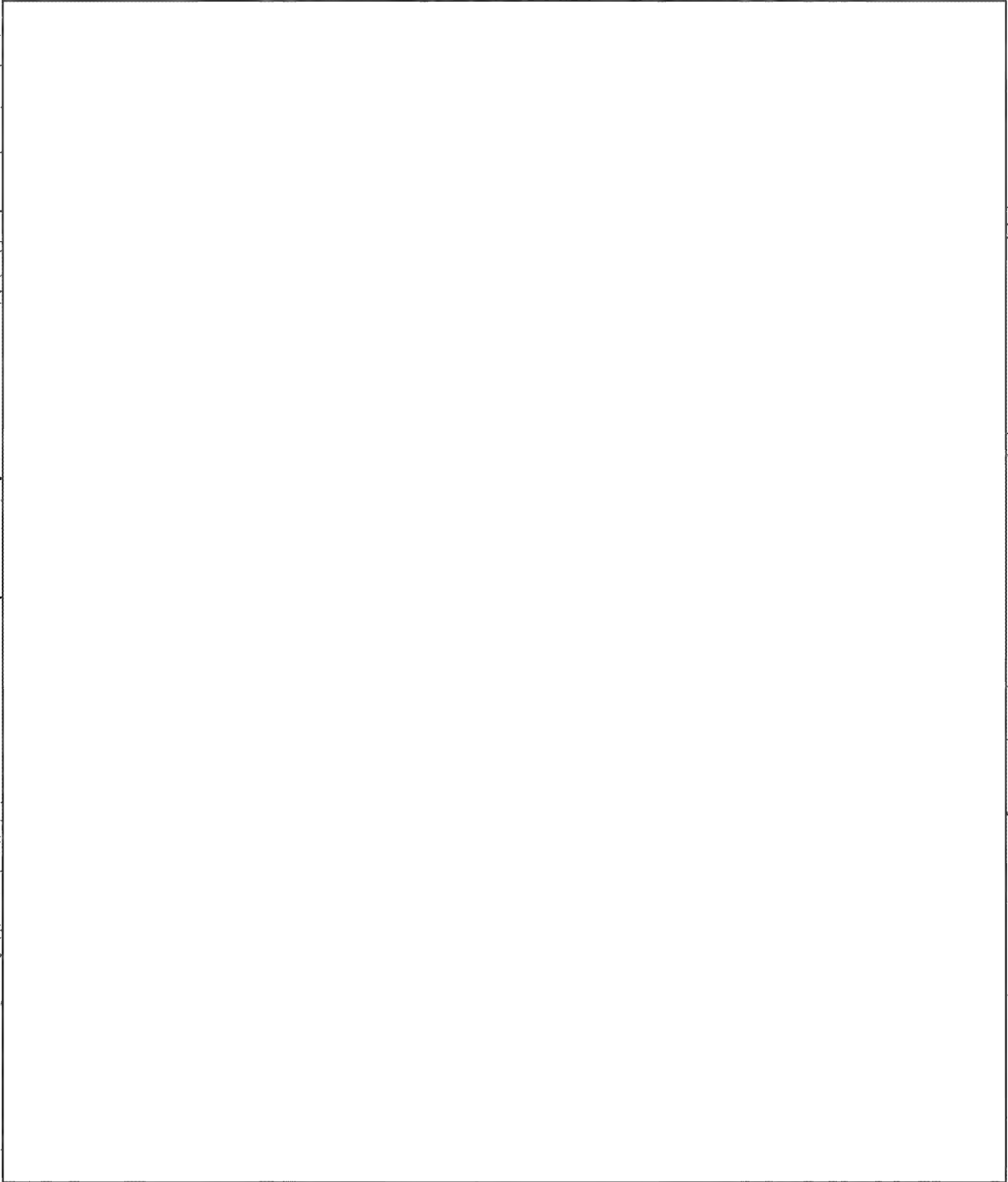
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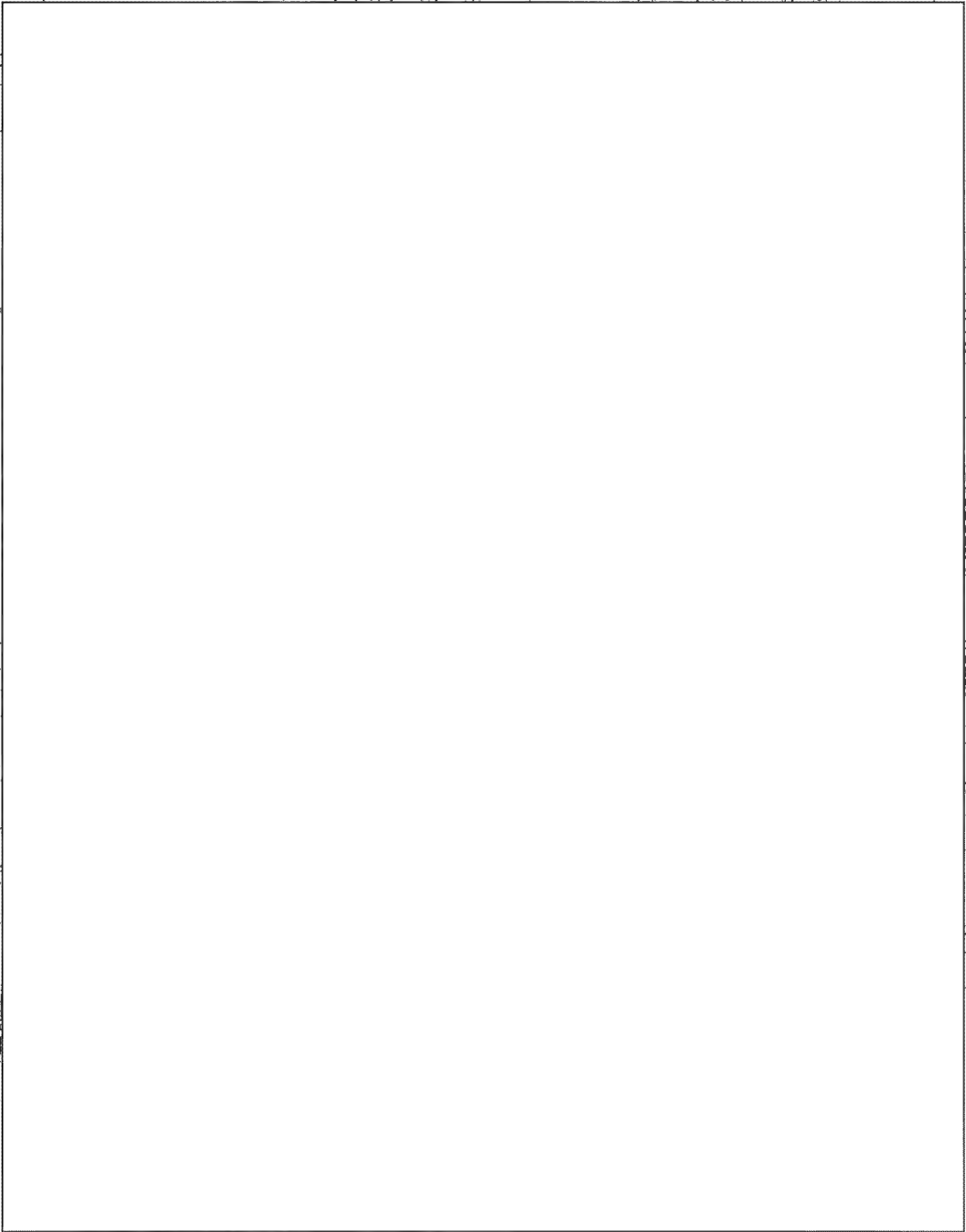
Comments

1. Several previous reports from this office, dated 6 November 1952, and 5 January 1955, from independent sources, and whose contents were confirmed as possibly true, said that a pact had been made between certain leaders of the PSP and JJ on one hand, and the Orthodox youth on the other hand, whose purpose was support of PSP activities. RIVARELLA, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ and Oscar ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, national leaders of the Orthodox youth, were named as being either Communists or sympathizers of the PSP within the Orthodox youth and principals in the pact. This office has not been able to confirm the existence of the reported pact.
2. The newspaper El Mundo, 13 December 1956, carries a statement to the press made by RIVARELLA and Oscar ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, in the capacity of Orthodox youth leaders, in which they deny authorization to the JJ to use their names upon a document signed by Cuban Communists, that asked for guarantees for the 26 of July Movement personnel in the Sierra Maestra and a cease-fire. RIVARELLA and ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ state that while they fully support the message of the document, they refuse to join in signing it with those (i.e., the Cuban Communists) who do not make the same petition for the Hungarian revolutionaries who died by the thousands in Budapest. They conclude by saying that their press statement clarifies their support of guarantees for the 26 of July Movement, their desire for a just solution to Cuba's political problem, and their sentiments against those (i.e., the Cuban Communists) who still have not satisfactorily explained the Soviet crime committed in Hungary.
3. The newspapers Avance, 30 April 1957, and Informacion, 5 May 1957, contain a statement to the press from RIVARELLA, in which he says that during a recent television round-table program his name was included with others in remarks made by a member of the Autentico Party, as being accused as Communists by the RMAC. That labor leader Eusebio MUJAL Barniol, a participant in the round-table, replied that he didn't know about the others mentioned, but he did not believe RIVARELLA was a Communist, but would investigate the matter. After ridiculing MUJAL in the role of private detective, RIVARELLA says that he doesn't have to reiterate his democratic convictions or his anti-BATISTA record, nor repeat that he is not, nor has ever been, a Communist or anything like the one. He concludes by challenging MUJAL to find any Communist antecedent in his records.
4. RIVARELLA announced his new PSP affiliation in the local press during the last week of July 1957.









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INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY: Cuba

REPORT NO. HKI-1182

SUBJECT: Felice Antonio Cecilia
MARTINEZ Ortega

DATE OF INFO: 27 April 1957

1. On orders from Colonel Conrado CARUTATA Ugaldé, Chief of the Direction Department of the Cuban National Police, Subject was arrested on 27 April 1957 and confined in the 13th Precinct Station in Habana. At the time of his arrest, Subject had in his possession copies of Fundamentos, Boletín, Cuba and the USSR, Guadalupe de Arte y Ciencia, Boletín, and works by LENIN, STALIN, HO CHI MINH, HEINRICH LAUBACH, Gerardo, MARI and Humberto, among other Communist materials. A subsequent investigation of MARTINEZ by an agent of the Buró para la Represión de Actividades Comunistas (BRAC, Bureau for Repression of Communist Activities) revealed the following information:
2. MARTINEZ was born in Habana on 23 August 1927, his father being Cecilia MARTINEZ González and his mother Amelia ORTEGA Cerro. He resides with his parents at Calle Calzada de Managua No. 25, ground floor, in Matilla. He is single and a student in the final year at the Commercial Sciences School of the University of Habana. For the past year and a half he has also been employed in the Lighting Department of the Electro Sales Company, Inc., Offices 204, Habana. Subject has a sister named Cermín Elena MARTINEZ Ortega, aged 32 years, married to Roberto MIRET, who is employed as cashier in the Archbold Company store, Habana. His sister is a graduate of the Normal School but is not presently working. He did not recall his sister's address. MARTINEZ stated that both he and his parents are registered in the Central Habana Municipal Electoral Junta; he is a member of the Orthodox Party and his father a Liberal Party member; he was a member of the Catholic Youth (Juventud Católica) from 1943 until 1951. He declared that on several occasions Emilio VIVERO had approached him to join the Juventud Socialista (JS, Cuban Communist Youth Organization) but that he had not done so.
3. Under interrogation, MARTINEZ said he was not a member of the Cuban Communist Party but sympathized with Communist doctrine. He is a member of "Cuadro Tiempo" and was formerly a member of the Asociación Latino-América Libro (ALAL, Free Latin America Association). In 1951 he was second vice-president of the Commercial Sciences Student Association at the University of Habana.

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Date 10 May 1957

In 1953 he attended the Fourth World Youth Festival held in Warsaw, Poland. MARTINEZ stated he left Cuba by air for the United States, where he remained for several days visiting a number of universities; he departed from the United States for France via sea and, upon his arrival in France, took a train direct to Warsaw. While attending the Festival, he was invited by members of the Chinese delegation present to visit Communist China. MARTINEZ accepted, traveling across the USSR to China, where he remained for a short period of time. He returned to Cuba via Czechoslovakia, Austria, France, and Spain. His complete trip lasted approximately six months.

Comments:

1. [redacted] MARTINEZ was one of three Cuban delegates of the Cuban University Students' Federation to the Fifth National Student Congress of the U.S. National Student Association (UCNSA) held in Bloomington, Indiana, in August 1952. The Cuban delegates denounced dictatorship in general and succeeded in having the Congress pass a resolution condemning the BATISTA dictatorship specifically. Vol. 3 March 1953, contains an article showing Subject active with MARTINEZ, Reul VALDES Vivo, and Aramis MADADA, among others, in organizing a "Congreso Martiano por los Derechos de la Juventud." Vol. 10 June 1954, contains an invitation to the public issued by the Pro-Quetzala University Students' Committee, to attend a meeting. Subject is shown as a member of this Committee, together with student Communists VALDES, Celia SANCHEZ Arremonde, and Agustin CHABLE Trujillo, among others. A report dated 5 August 1955, from a source whose reliability had not been determined, indicated MARTINEZ was an active Cuban Communist Party leader who had traveled to Communist China and the USSR.
2. VALDES, who until recently was a prominent Communist student leader at the University of Habana, has been the subject of numerous reports in the past.
3. "Nuestro Tiempo" is a Cuban Communist cultural front organization.
4. [redacted] Subject signed a statement by the Free Latin America Association distributed in October 1956 together with Cuban Communists Celia and Aurelia SANCHEZ Arremonde, (Dr.) Sarah PASCUAL, and reported sympathizers. The Association is a Cuban Communist-front organization.

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Subject: Views of Rafael GARCIA Bercena on Cuban Political Situation.



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INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY: Cuba

REPORT NO. HX-1477

SUBJECT: Views of Rafael GARCIA BArcena on Cuban Political Situation

DATE OF INFO: 6 May 1957

1. Rafael GARCIA BArcena said that recently he had been in conference with Roberto GRAMONTE, leader of one of the three factions of the Partido del Pueblo Cubano (Ortodoxo) and that he had been asked to try to bring together the three factions of the Orthodox Party: the groups of AGRAMENTE, Emilio OCHOA, and Carlos FARIAS Sterling.
2. GARCIA BArcena would like to maneuver himself into the position of being the Orthodox candidate for President of Cuba in the 1958 elections. He said that it is too soon to attempt a reconciliation in the Party and that his own tactic is to maintain contact with all the opposition political leaders in the hope that at a propitious time he will be the one person about whom no faction would have any strong objections. Subject said there was no first-class political party in Cuba but that the Orthodox were the least objectionable and the name of the party had not been tarnished as was true of the Auténticos, nor was it a party of petty politicians seeking power. Of the three factions in the Orthodox, OCHOA controls the party political machinery, AGRAMENTE controls the excitable and revolutionary group in which youth and students are prominent, and FARIAS Sterling leads only a small segment of the party. He said that the Orthodox Youth will not present a difficult problem within the party once they can be convinced that the way to power is not through violence but through participation in the 1958 elections. The Youth are strong enough to veto a presidential candidate but probably will not take a leading part in selecting one. He did not feel that MAX LESNICK or FRANCISCO CALONE had a great deal of influence among the Youth at present and said that Mario SIVANILLA was the most respected of the Youth leaders. This group eschews violent revolutionary action.
3. GARCIA BArcena pictures himself as the person who can influence the Orthodox Youth to abandon revolutionary methods, and toward this end he is writing a series of articles for such widely-read magazines as *Bohemia* in which he points out to the Youth that times have changed since he (GARCIA BArcena) led the Youth in the assault on Camp Columbia. He said that his complete reversal of policy is going to confuse Cuban youth, but he feels it is the only way to bring unity to the party and prepare for the elections of 1958. He fears that May will be a month of increased violence in Havana; but, once the revolutionaries realize that they have

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not accomplished anything, they will be more amenable to suggestions to prepare for the elections in 1958.

4. GARCIA Barcocha feels that the Orthodox Party has only about a 25 per cent chance of winning a Presidential election -- not because it could not command enough votes, but because the current regime of terrorism would not dare permit an opposition party to come into power. They have gone too far on the road to government by assassination, imprisonment, and robbery to give up their power, he said. Nevertheless, in his opinion there is no alternative to an election. He feels that, even if the Orthodox cannot elect a President, they may elect a number of Senators and Representatives in Congress. He will propose that Ramon BARQUIN be run as a candidate for the Senate even if BARQUIN is still in prison at the time of the elections. He did not believe that there were any legal obstacles.
5. Regarding Fidel CASTRO Ruz, he said that CASTRO was an impetuous and perhaps even an irresponsible leader, but one who could not be ignored in any new government because to the youth of the country he represents an ideal and for this reason no stable government could be formed without him. He said he differed with CASTRO on the matter of military principles. He does not believe that CASTRO will be able to attract any significant defections or support from the Army. He said that CASTRO originally believed that, if he could only establish a beachhead in Oriente, show strength in that area, while at the same time show the Army that he had supporters in Habana by agitating here, he would be able to find support in the Army itself, particularly in Camp Columbia. This was CASTRO's big mistake, according to GARCIA Barcocha. Since CASTRO cannot take Camp Columbia, he is isolated. GARCIA Barcocha did not believe that CASTRO was ultra-nationalistic but that apparently some of his followers were from the tone of some of the propaganda of the 26th of July Movement. GARCIA Barcocha, because of his previous influence among Cuban youth, apparently sees himself as the person to offset or balance the impulsiveness of CASTRO if his group ever comes to power.

Field Comments

Rafael GARCIA Barcocha was one of the founders of the Partido del Pueblo Cubano (Orthodox) but separated from it because of differences of opinion with the leaders Roberto AGRASANTIS and José ARDO Llada. He had been a University professor and instructor of military psychology at the Cabafia Fortress and at one time had considerable following among Cuban youth and many friends in the Cuban Army. In April 1953 he was sentenced to three years' imprisonment for conspiracy against the BATISTA Government but was released by amnesty in June 1954. Since then he has refrained from revolutionary activities and has been occupied with writing mildly anti-Government articles for various publications and maintaining contact with the principal leaders of the opposition parties. In a forthcoming article to appear in Bohemia, he will exhort the youth of Cuba to give up their violent revolutionary activities and to seek power through elections in 1958.

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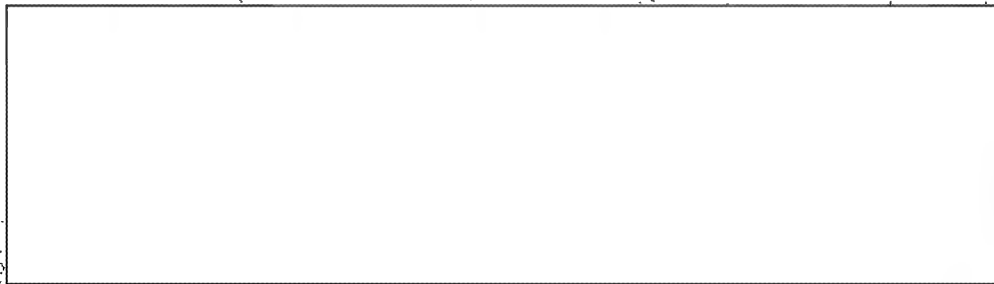
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Subject: Activities of the Juventud
Socialista

Report No: HKI-1332

Date of Information: 7 July - 13 August 1956



1. On 6 August 1956 Antonio ^VSARGEDO Ferrer, student Communist leader, was seen at the University of Habana distributing a fly-sheet of the Juventud Socialista (JS, Cuban Communist Youth Organization) titled Path of Cuban Youth. He had a bundle of approximately 500 copies of this document. On 10 August, SARGEDO and Irat ^{STAT}, student Communist, also distributed a sizeable quantity of Nella, official JS bi-weekly publication, at the University. * Communist
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2. The above fly-sheet also appeared as a page insert in the 1 August issue of Nella. The fly-sheet consists of a letter, dated 2 August 1956 at Habana, from the JS National Executive Committee to Cuban youth. After setting out the Cuban Communist line against partial elections and for revolutionary action on 12 August against the BATISTA Government, the letter states the Executive Committee has decided to appeal to the national leadership of all opposition youth organizations and other "institutions of the new generation" to join in immediate acts of protest against that Government. The letter states the Committee has approved a new letter to Cuban working rural and student youth, which will shortly be circulated. Mention is made of an "extraordinary" assembly of youth organizations, convened in Santiago de Cuba on 18 July by the Orthodox Party Youth in their meeting hall in that city. Among others, it is said, leaders of the following groups attended:

- Orthodox Party Youth
- Auténtico Party Youth (both CRAU and FRIO sections)
- Juventud Socialista
- National Federation of Secondary School Students
- Student Federation of Santiago de Cuba
- Nationalist Revolutionary Party Youth

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26 of July Movement Youth
Certain working youths

3. [redacted] following agreements arrived at at this meeting:

- 1) Publish a manifesto repudiating partial elections and calling for mass action against the BATISTA Government.
- 2) Name a youth commission to contact leaders of each political party demanding that they repudiate partial elections.
- 3) Send a letter to the Federación Estudiantil Universitaria (FEU, University Students' Federation) in Havana demanding that they declare a traitor any ex-FELU member supporting partial elections.
- 4) Create "fighting committees" (comites de lucha) in every youth center regardless of politics.
- 5) Carry out a commemorative march on 12 August.

[redacted] the Committee agrees wholeheartedly with the results of the 18 July meeting in Oriente Province and invites all youth groups to unite in support of the above agreements.

4. [redacted] as a result of the 18 July convention in Santiago de Cuba, the US is promoting a similar youth meeting for Habana.

Field Comment. Prensa Libre, 8 July 1956, published an agreement of the National Executive of the Oriente Youth, over the signatures of [redacted] Joaquin SUBIDON, Maria FERRAZ, Oscar TORRES, Marcos [redacted] and others, rejecting the proposed partial elections. Avance, 7 July 1956, carried an article stating that former FEU President José MARTÍNEZ announced that the FEU opposed the partial elections and would pass judgment upon such of its ex-members as had accepted the Government's electoral plans in their present capacity of opposition party leaders. Among such ex-members were named Enrique SUAREZ, now Secretary General of the Partido Nacionalista Revolucionario (PNR, Nationalist Revolutionary Party), and Emilio [redacted], now political chief in Oriente Province. Información, 9 July, said in an article that the secondary school association in Santiago de Cuba had not and agreed to a united front against partial elections. FEU official Juan [redacted] participated as a delegate, and it was agreed to conduct a civic march in the city on 12 August. The local press of 12 August reported that [redacted] and 22 students were arrested in Santiago on 11 - 12 August in connection with public manifestations against the Government.

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1. A copy of the letter summarized in Paragraph 1 is on file at this Station.
2. The information contained in Paragraph 2 was obtained by **AMBULANT**

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Date of Information: 12-13 February 1956



plans by Communists and oppositionists to create disturbances on 13 February, the anniversary of the death of student Rubén BASTIDA, and on the Cuban national holiday, 24 February 1956:

"The leader appears to be Fidel CASTRO, who from abroad is directing over 50,000 youths throughout the island. Other leaders are: ~~Fu~~ ECHEVARRIA of the Federación Estudiantil Universitaria (FEU, University Students' Federation).

"Américo CHAPLE Trujillo, FEU leader, national director of the Juventud Socialista (JS, Communist Youth group), who has just been elected president by the School of Philosophy and Letters.

"Gustavo MARIN of the Movimiento de la Ración, who is closely connected with the Communists of the University.

"Enrique BORGES,

"Max LESNICY of the Juventud Ortodoxa Insurreccional.

"Dr. Humberto CORONA, long-time Marxist but pseudo-Orthodox director of insurreccional line.

"As a prelude to the commemoration of the fall of student BASTIDA, they will again mobilize national opinion, this time in a united front of struggle with the sugar, port, and transportation workers, whom they say they have on their side.

"Communist and oppositionist youths are spreading defeatist rumors to the effect that the year 1956 will be tragic in national history, the political situation is very dangerous, a feeling of insecurity reigns. The Communist and oppositionist student brigades of the so-called Popular Front of Guido GARCIA Inalán and others are painting

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on the walls of houses Marxist mottoes such as 'Abajo BATISTA' and '26 de Julio' and waging a campaign of proselytism in favor of the so-called 'Revolutionary Emigrés,' this is, the mobilization of Fidel CASTRO."

2. [redacted] plans for a revolutionary coup on 26 February 1956 [redacted]

"The conspiracy is continuing to develop feverishly, and there is a danger that the revolution may break out any time before 26 February."

Among the revolutionary leaders are Juan FUERTES Irujo and Roberto LEON Lemus. Also involved is Eusebio FERNANDEZ CRISTÓBAL, who has returned to Cuba. Almost all the revolutionary leaders who were in exile are now in Cuba. It is possible that (Dr.) Angelito BALBUENA Arango may also be back here.

"The meetings held at the farm of Fidel CASTRO's cousin near Olira de Malena have been attended by officers and enlisted men of the Army and the National Police. Last week important meetings were held on Thursday and Saturday, attended by Fidel CASTRO, his brother, and his sister."

"The preparation for the revolution has started with the placing of bombs and petards. The person who placed the petard in the National Capitol last Friday was Juan RODRIGUEZ."

"The revolutionary plotters include in their violent plans the elimination of different persons connected with the BATISTA regime. One of the first to be eliminated is (General) Rafael SALAS CARRIZOSA, Chief of the National Police, who it is expected will be eliminated by police officers connected with the conspiracy. Another possible victim is Eusebio MUJAL."

"Since 1 February a group of revolutionaries from Habana have been in Camagüey, including one man from Calabazar, Habana Province, who is to eliminate three persons from Camagüey. The revolutionary leader in Camagüey is Edelino ALVAREZ, who suffered imprisonment and torture during the dictatorship of MICHADO."

"Groups of revolutionaries from Habana are in all the capitals of the provinces, working with the local groups. The revolutionaries predict that there will be much bloodshed."

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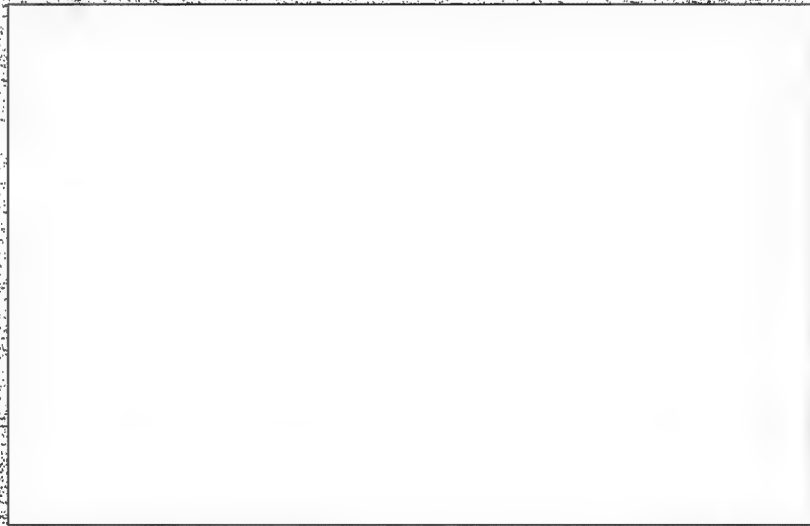
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Field Comments.

1. The confidential letter to the Cuban DI is considered to be an obvious attempt to put the major blame on Communist elements for recent anti-Government demonstrations as evidenced by the reference to paintings on the walls of houses such as "Abajo Estivists" and "26 de Julio" as "Marxist mottoes." Recent reports also indicate that the FBI is opposed to the acceptance of Communist support in its demonstrations and refused permission to COMMUNIST and other CP members to participate in the 10 January event honoring MARX. The contents of the confidential letter are therefore evaluated as "Confidential."
2. No information is available to confirm the reported presence in Cuba of Eufemio FERNANDEZ Ortega, Fidel CASERO or Aureliano SANCHEZ Arango.

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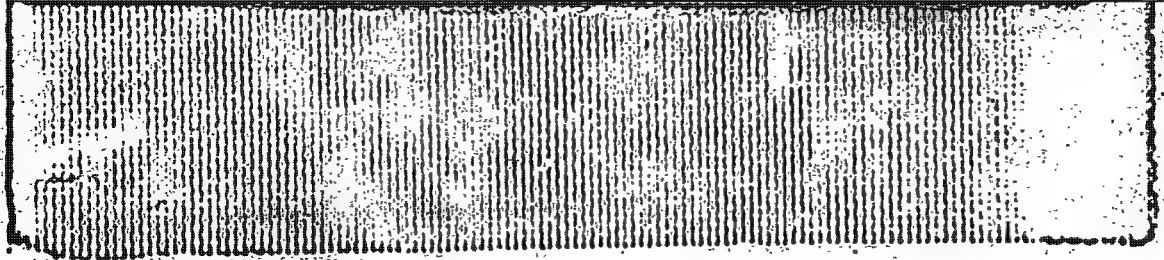
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Subject: Political Opposition to
Batista Government

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Date of Information: Current

The following report was received from an active member of the political opposition:

As a result of differences which arose between Carlos PRIO Socarras and (Dr.) Ramon GRAU San Martin after PRIO succeeded GRAU as President in 1948, the PFC (a) in fact split into two groups, one headed by PRIO known as "Auténticos Electoralistas" and the other headed by GRAU known as "Auténticos Electoralistas". After the break between PRIO and GRAU, GRAU endeavored to form the "Partido de la Cubanía" to enter the 1952 elections. However, with BATISTA's coup d'état on 10 March 1952 and PRIO's exile in the U.S., GRAU remained in Cuba speaking in the name of the Auténticos. When BATISTA announced elections for November 1954, GRAU reorganized and registered the Partido Auténtico, of which he was actually no longer a member, and declared that he would oppose BATISTA as presidential candidate in the national election. GRAU's more left PRIO's group, represented in Cuba by the official party cadres under the direction of Antonio GARCIA, without legality.

PRIO, VARELA and other PRIO leaders therefore declared themselves against GRAU and his supporters and refused to support them during the campaign. PRIO has also since refused to recognize any of the Auténticos elected to public office in the November 1954 elections.

Among PRIO's principal supporters are the following:

Oscar RIVERO
Eduardo RIVERO
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Fernando MEL del Pino
Antonio SA TIAO
Diego Vicente CHIRIA
Teodoro CHIRIA
Antonio NAJONA

b. The Partido del Pueblo Cubano (Ortodoxo), founded by Eduardo CHIRIAS, was organized by dissident members of the PRC(A) as a political party to oppose PRIO's organization. It was undoubtedly the majority party in Cuba in 1952 and until CHIRIA's death remained a strong political force drawing its strength from the masses. However, with CHIRIA's death and PRIO's exile it faded in importance and today is small and divided.

Dr. Carlos MARQUEZ Sterling, who has presidential ambitions, attempted to take over control of the party after CHIRIA's death but was unsuccessful in holding it intact. Raul CHIRIA, brother of Eduardo, now heads one faction of the Party. Another faction, "Ortodoxia Libre" has been formed by Carlos MARQUEZ Sterling. Dr. Antonio MARTIN Z Fraga, who was denied membership in the original Orthodoxo party, has a leading roll in the "Ortodoxia Libre". Still another faction of the original group is headed by Roberto ACRAMONTE, who also has presidential ambitions, while another group of followers of the original Orthodoxo Party remain loyal to Emilio OCHOA, a member of the Directors Council of the Party. OCHOA has refused to accept the guarantees of the BALBUENA government and return to Cuba from Miami and thus does not participate directly in Orthodoxo activities at present. Still another group of Orthodoxo members either are favorable or sympathetic to the insurrectional thesis introduced by Fidel CASTRO and his followers. At a recent meeting of the party at Teatro Part, ACRAMONTE and other leaders were hitted, and there was considerable talk of promoting armed revolt against the present regime. Fidel CASTRO, who is now in Mexico, has appointed José Manuel MARQUEZ as so-called "Chief of the Comandos" of Marianso. MARQUEZ, a young Orthodoxo, is at present in Veracruz negotiating an arms shipment for Cuba which reportedly will be brought in by a group of fishermen via La Coloma, Pinar del Rio.

Comment. In order to clear up the confusion created by source concerning the PRC(A), it is pointed out that the original Unity Charter drawn up by the Orthodoxos on 23 March 1955 was signed by ACRAMONTE, OCHOA, MARQUEZ Sterling, Pelayo CHIRIA, Antonio NAJONA, Francisco CAJUL, and others with independent tendencies. The president of this, the "Unified" Orthodoxos, is Raul CHIRIA. Recently MARQUEZ Sterling split from the "Unified" Orthodoxos and formed the "Ortodoxia Libre". Another group known as the Registered Orthodoxos is under the leadership of Francisco FERRANDEZ Casas. Apparently source, in commenting on the various "groups" headed by ACRAMONTE, Raul CHIRIA and OCHOA, is referring to the popular following these individuals have within the "Unified" Orthodoxos. They do not as such represent a separate segment of the Orthodoxo party.

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Probably the most politically active and strongest segment of the Ortodoxo party is the youth branch, the Juventud Ortodoxo (JO). It has representation in just about every town in the Republic and is particularly active at the University of Habana. Dr. Francisco CARONE, University professor and member of the Directive Council of the Ortodoxo Party, is adviser of the JO. CARONE is well known for his leftist leanings. Actually, when the Partido Ortodoxo was in the original stages of organization, Communists at Habana University prepared and assisted in organizing the JO. The JO frequently attacks the U.S. with slogans that dictatorships exist in Latin America because their anti-Communism pleases the U.S. On 27 September, for example, Dr. Palayo RICO, a well-known Ortodoxo prominent in JO activities, stated on a television question-and-answer program that the dictatorship of BATISTA subsists because the Department of State's flattered BATISTA's anti-Communism, which is not anti-Communism but anti-democratism. The following are some of the more prominent pro-Communists who influence the Juventud Ortodoxo:

Char BARRIOS, director of the Juventud Ortodoxo, was Secretary of the Congreso Derechos de la Juventud, organized by the Communists, and has signed numerous Marxist manifestos.

Max MONICO, who was an active Communist propagandist in the University, has signed all Marxist manifestos issued at the University and has been seen on different occasions with Alfredo G. VAPA and Raul VALDES Vivo, (well-known Communists), close friends of his.

Salvador [redacted], Juventud director, has a Communist background and is a member of the same University group.

Maxto RIVADILLA, pro-Communist, has signed manifestos in favor of Guatemala and against the 1953 anti-Communist legislation. He is a member of the same University group.

The Movimiento de Liberación Radical is a move to form public opinion and not a political party. It is built around the worldwide movement of Catholic "Social Doctrine" with branches in Cuba in the Juventud de Acción Católica, Juventud Estudiantil Católica, Juventud Obrera Católica, and Juventud Universitaria Católica. These organizations are forbidden by the Church to take part as such in national politics. However, Amalio CALLO and Andrés VALVERDE and other members of the organizations have gotten together with other intellectuals and formed the Movimiento de Liberación Radical to oppose the present regime. This movement, which is purely ideological, has no Communist influence up to the present time.

The Movimiento de la Nación, which is also not a political party but rather a movement to arouse public interest, has gained little strength to date. Its chief spokesman, José Llada, manages to keep it alive with propaganda; but there is little likelihood that it by itself will reach a position of any importance on the local political scene.

As independent movements, neither the Movimiento de Liberación Radical nor the Movimiento de la Nación has little or any chance of becoming strong.

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enough to register as a political entity. Their strength, if any, will be in the number of followers they can count on to join one of the registered opposition parties in the next election and the amount of influence they can therefore assert on the party's policy."

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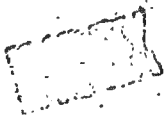
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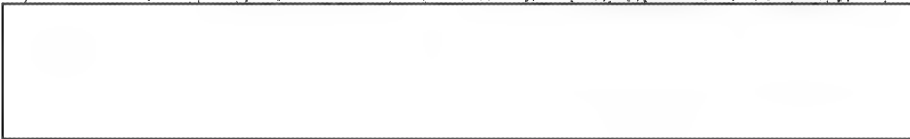
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Subject: Anti-Nixon Propaganda
Issued by the FEU

Report No: FEU-977

Date of Information: 9 February 1955



1. A one page mimeographed sheet entitled "¿A Quo Viene Mr. Nixon?" was written and edited in the offices of the Federación Estudiantil Universitaria (FEU) at the University of Habana. At least several hundred copies were run off on the mimeograph machine owned by the Faculty of Commercial Sciences and were distributed throughout the university grounds by Armando HERRERA. There was some street distribution in the near vicinity of the University. This sheet was about the only real result of the FEU planning which took place during the week preceding the Nixon visit. These abortive plans included a street demonstration against the visit.
2. The mimeographed sheet asks the question, "¿Why did you come Mr. Nixon?... To back the usurpation of power by Batista?... To spread the official criticism of giving away our natural resources to United States monopolies?... To approve the freedom of Batista against Guatemala and proclaim him one of the Caribbean dictators?... With regard to the above, the undersigned youths protest this visit which interferes in our internal affairs and which insults our dignity even more than the defiling of the statues of our heroes by the Yankee sailors and of Cuban women."

Alvaro Barba Machado Max Vazquez Florio Bravo
Jorge Vidalco Peraza Enrique Aguirre Pedro ...
R. Santibañez Rafael ... Teodoro Fuentes
Rafael ... Harry Torres etc.

The sheet then concludes with the notes: "The press, radio and television under the orders of Batista and the North American Embassy have repressed these declarations."

Field Comments:

1. The clandestine communist publication Carta Semanal of 16 February 1955 asserts 7000 copies of the sheet were distributed.
2. The clandestine communist mimeographed newsletter Bohemia Continental of 15 February 1955 quotes in extenso the FEU sheet.

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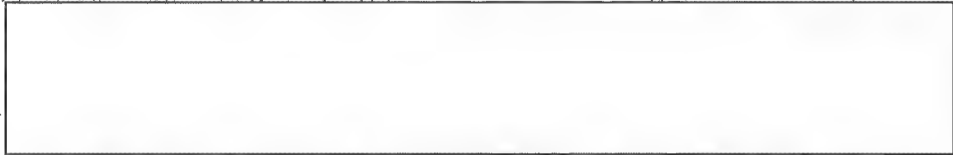
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Subject: Communist Influence in the
FEU, University of Habana

Report No: HHH-981

Date of Information: 10-20 January 1955



1. Communist activities in the University, particularly in connection with Federacion Estudiantil Universitaria (FEU, Federation of University Students) affairs, have increased during the last few weeks. Almost daily informal meetings are being held by Raul VALDES Vivo, Carlos SANCHEZ, Leonel SANCHEZ, ANTONCHENA, and Lutz SONNE Ruedres. Usually these conversations concern election campaigns in the various student organizations, and facilities for the preparation and distribution of propaganda.
2. Indicative of FEU attitude toward the communists, students Roberto FUENTE and Federico SAINZ de la Maza commented, "the present and former regimes of the FEU have been obliged to work with the red elements since these elements were better disciplined for combat against the government".
3. On 10 January 1955 a crowd of a hundred or so students took part in a ceremony on the campus in honor of the Twenty Sixth Anniversary of the death of Communist youth leader Julio Antonio Mella. Prominent in the ceremony were: Jesus DUARTE, Andres LNU, Leonel ALONSO, Alberto POLAND, Raul VALDES Vivo, Rene ANILLO, Jose A. ECHAVARRIA, and Max Maspick.
4. At the ceremony there was distributed a 19 page pamphlet entitled, "Trinchera de Ideas", purportedly written by Julio Antonio Mella. Although mildly against the Batista government, the bulk of the articles in the pamphlet are anti-United States, and anti-capitalist, and in short typical communist propaganda.

Source Comment. Paragraph 2 is more true than the FEU leaders themselves would like to believe. The FEU, unflavored with the "red sauce" has long been notorious for empty, loud-mouthed sessions and propaganda. The reds simply inject a little more organization and intellectual reality and thus create more student appeal. All Latin students have a streak (large or small) of anti-U.S. sentiment, but not all will follow any empty-headed jerk who gets up to scream about "imperialists". A large percentage will respond to a subtle intellectual "realism", particularly where if pimed down for their participation they can easily acquire but with the "intellectual autonomy" explanation.

Mission Comment. ~~El~~ ~~Regional~~ on 11 January 1955 contains a photograph of the ceremony mentioned in paragraph 3.

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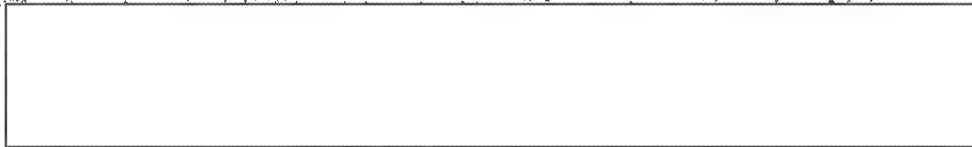
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Subject: Pact between Cuban Communists
and Orthodox Party Leaders

Report No: 100-954

Date of Information: 31 December 1954



1. A pact has been completed between leaders of the Partido Socialista Popular (PSP, Cuban Communist Party) and certain leaders of the Orthodox Party for the purpose of combatting the Batista regime. Among those present at the meetings which led to this pact and which were held in the law offices of Ernesto Eduardo CONCHA, located at Calle O'Reilly No. 107, were Carlos Rafael FERRERIGUEZ, Communist, Gregorio GARCIA Suarez, Communist, Francisco MONTANA Ortigosa, Mario WAZELLIA and Roberto GARCIA, leaders of the Orthodox youth, José MARRERA, president of the Federación Estudiantil Universitaria, Amilcar VILLERO, member of the Catholic Youth and a follower of former President Carlos PRIO. Other meetings were held in the law offices of Communist lawyers, located in the Barana de Gence, Habana, and in the locales of radio stations W.O.C.O., Radio Progreso, and Union Radio. The slogan for all these meetings was "CONTRA BATISTA."

2. Behind this pact is the desire of the Orthodox leaders involved to seize control of the leadership of the Orthodox Party and realization by the PSP that it needs to stir up its cadres with some strong action and to prove to the Cuban people that its charges against president-elect Fulgencio BATISTA have been legitimate ones. The pact calls for a two-phase attack on the Government, the first phase being the propaganda campaign against the proposed "Via Cuba" canal, to convince the masses that BATISTA is a traitor, and the second phase being one of repressive action. The latter action would have as its objective the sabotage of the national economy and would be accomplished, mainly, by interference with the sugar harvesting (safra) and the shipping activities. Included in this action are setting fire to sugar plantations on a large scale, agitation among the sugar workers over salary and dismissal questions, a "huelga callosa" (sit-down strike) movement in the port workers sector over the question of bulk shipment of sugar which would pave the way for the union of the port workers and sugar workers, and the intensification of strikes and the support of strikers' demands in all industries. The final step would be the launching of another propaganda campaign, begun by members of student, industrial workers, and professional men's organizations, prior to the assumption of the presidency by BATISTA.

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2. Communist role in the anti-Government campaign on the subject of the "Via Cuba" canal was previously reported.

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1. On 9 December 1954

received information that the Partido Socialista Popular (PSP, Cuban Communist Party) had plans to launch a strong anti-Government campaign based on the subject of the proposed "Via Cuba" canal. The PSP planned to remain behind the scenes and to use as many elements of the opposition as it could to sponsor its propaganda line that the present Government had sold out to the United States and that the proposed canal was merely an extension of the Panama Canal. Groups from the Ortodoxo Party (Partido del Pueblo Cubano (Ortodoxo)), led by Max LESNIK, reportedly collaborated with the PSP in the planning of the protest campaign against the canal. Cuban intellectuals and professional men, sympathetic to Communism or connected in one way or another with the PSP, were to be the ones who would launch the campaign, stressing the selling-out-of-sovereignty theme and the need for a popular referendum before any Cuban government made any treaty or agreement affecting the territorial integrity of the nation.

2. On 14 December 1954 the Cuban press published an article concerning a call made by Max LESNIK, in the name of the national executive committee of the Ortodoxo Youth, to all youth organizations, including the Juventud Socialista (JS, Cuban Communist youth organization) and other organized centers of public opinion to attend a meeting at radio station C.O.C.O. on 16 December 1954 in order to join in the protest against the Government's plan to build the "Via Cuba" canal. On 16 December 1954, at nine o'clock in the evening, approximately 85 persons met at radio station C.O.C.O. in answer to LESNIK's call or in accordance with instructions from the PSP. About 75 of these persons were Communists, representing "barrio" (ward) committees of the P.P. or the JS in Habana or Communist labor syndicates, and the remainder were Ortodoxo members, many of whom had close ties with the Communists in the past. Among the latter were LESNIK, Francisco CAJON, Javier LEZCANO, and Mario RIVALLA. Present also was Juan VILLON Rodriguez, owner of the radio station and recently elected representative on the Partido Revolucionario Negro (A) ticket, who advised a SIN officer at the meeting that he had not permitted the meeting to go on the air after learning of the Communist infiltration and had only allowed the participants the use of the station's hall because José VASCO Llada, radio commentator and journalist, had made such a commitment to LESNIK and he could not let VASCO Llada down.

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3. The evening's program included speeches by four persons, representing the Orthodox party and Cuban youth, who attacked the economic, labor, and social policies of the Government, the absorption of Cuban soil by "Yankee imperialists," the interference of the United States government in the affairs of the Latin American nations and its support of those which were dictatorships, as well as the proposed plan of the Cuban government to build a canal which would involve the ceding of more Cuban territory to foreign interests (i.e., the United States). The meeting closed with the creation of committees charged with fomenting public protest throughout Cuba against the present regime and against "Yankee imperialism."

4. In addition to the role it played in organizing the meeting at radio station C.O.C.O. on 16 December 1954, the PSP has also succeeded in arousing popular sentiment against the proposed canal among the university students, members of labor unions, and members of educational, cultural, and civic institutions. It has been stressing in its propaganda that the canal will constitute a principal military target and place the country in the danger zone of atomic-nuclear bomb warfare. The PSP leaders consider this anti-canal movement as a rallying point for all anti-Batista elements which can possibly be converted into the long-sought "National Democratic Front." Jose FALLO Llada who championed the "Voto Negativo" (vote against BATISTA) prior to the general elections of 1954 has also seized on the matter of the proposed canal to attack the present government by calling for a "total union of the masses in defense of the national integrity and the complete liquidation of the present regime" during his television program on 17 December 1954. Another vehicle being used by the PSP to spread its anti-canal propaganda is the Asociacion Latino-America Libre, a cultural organization reported to be a Communist front, whose board of officers includes a Communist leader and a Communist youth leader of national standing, Jara PASTAL and Gregorio M. ORTEGA Suarez, respectively.

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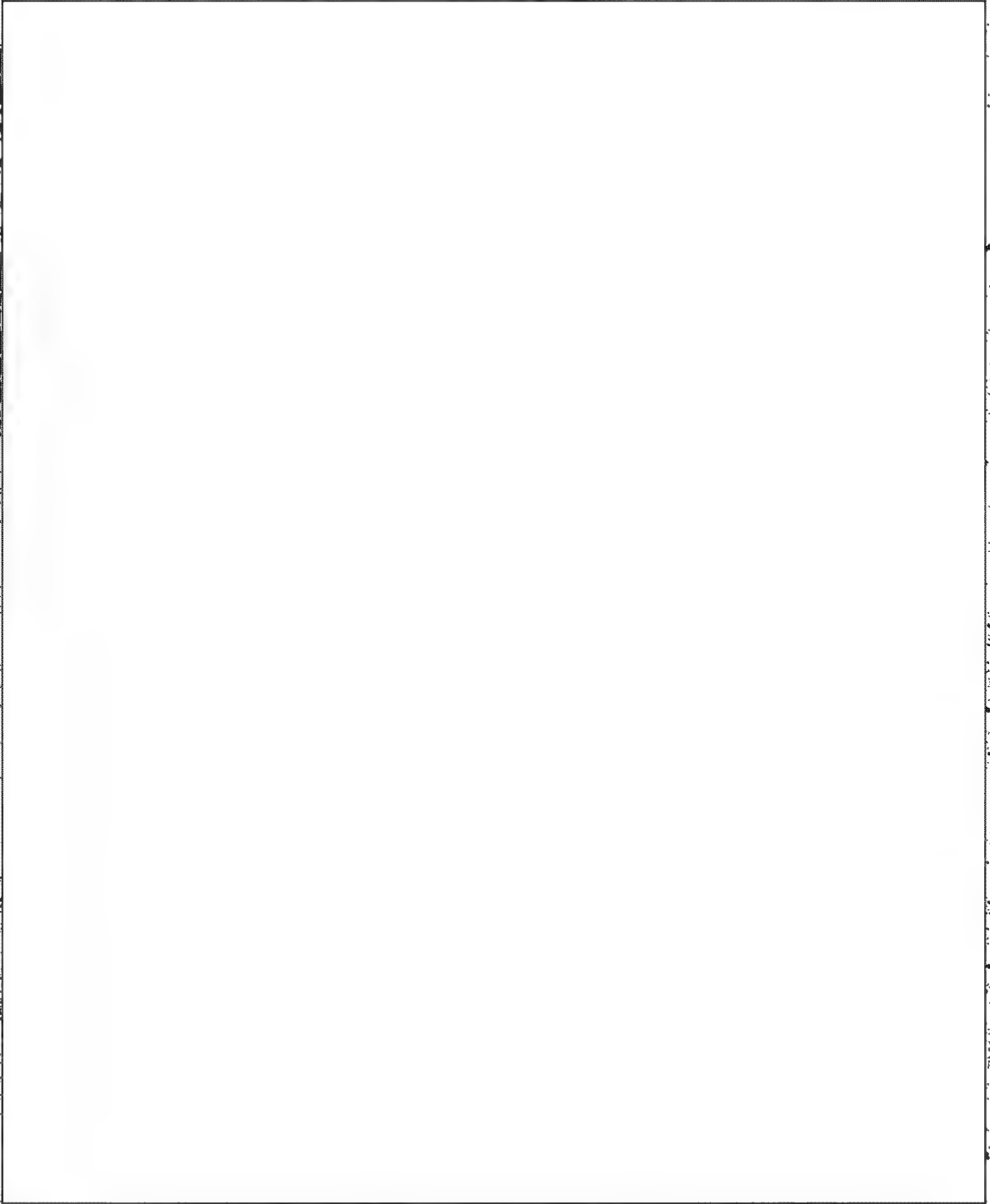
1. Carta Semanal (clandestine Communist publication), No. 69, dated 8 December 1954, contained an article which denounced, in very strong language, the plan to build the "Via Cuba Canal." Approximately a week later the overt Cuban press took up this subject, presenting the pros as well as the cons, and was still carrying articles on it as late as 26 December 1954.

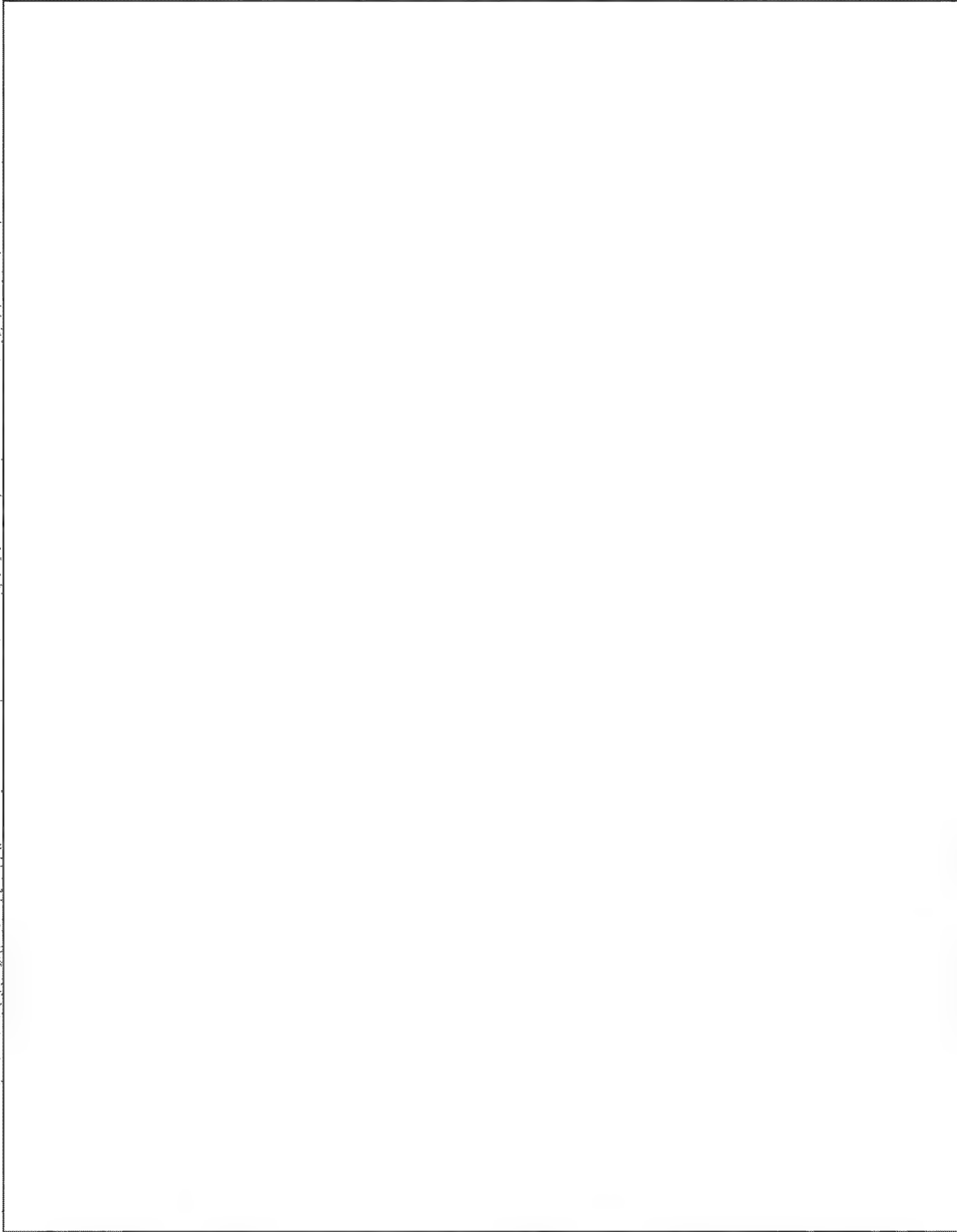
2. President-elect Fulgencio BATISTA and the present chief of the Cuban Navy, Contralmirante Jose FOMINUELA Calderon, have issued public statements defending the plan to build the canal and blaming the Communists for launching "an insidious campaign against a project as nationalist as the Canal Via-Cuba" would be" and censuring the opposition elements who have taken advantage of that campaign to attack the present government. Despite these statements and others by other government officials, the defense of the proposed project has been so weak, both technically and politically, that public sentiment against the project has apparently increased considerably since mid-December 1954.

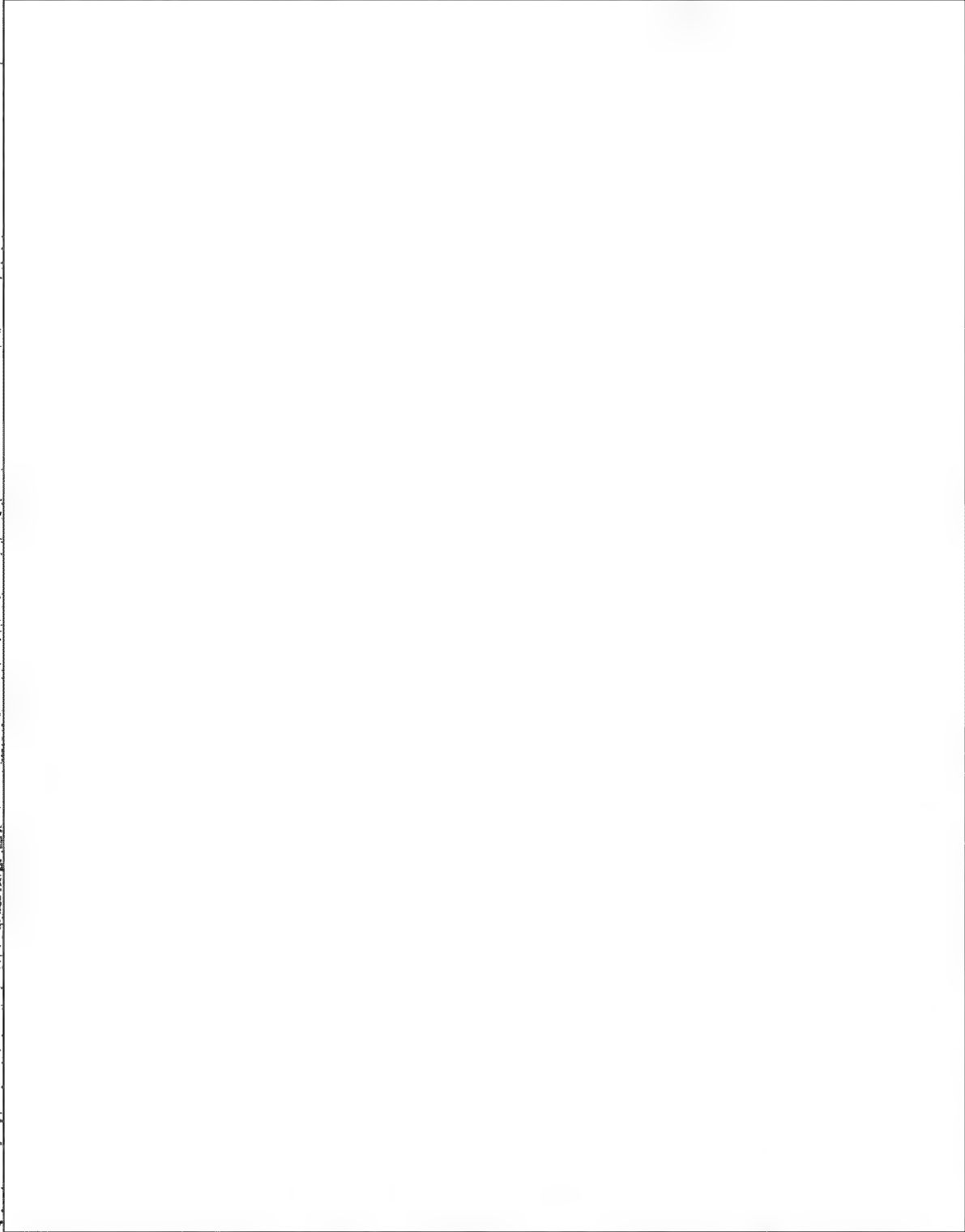
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1. No additional information concerning alleged plans of the Caribbean Legion to attack the Batista government has been received by the Mission. The latest available information regarding revolutionary activities against that government is contained in HKH-678.
2. Reports received in the past concerning the Caribbean Legion's attempts to enlist BATISTA's support for Legion revolutionary activities have been given a low evaluation (as to content), as indicated in the pertinent portions of HKH-467 and HKH-397. To date the Mission has received no information which would warrant changing such an evaluation.
3. Indications here are that the Batista regime is too preoccupied with a possible revolt attempt originating within the country to permit planning for any offensive action against any other country in the Caribbean. Recent friendly overtures by BATISTA, in the form of decorations bestowed on Hector TRUJILLO of the Dominican Republic and PEREZ Jimenez of Venezuela, also serve to indicate that the present Cuban government is not contemplating any action against those countries.
4. As to a possible attack on the Batista regime from outside Cuba, the Cuban Armed Forces and security agencies have long been alerted to a possible air attack on key installations in Habana as well as multiple assaults from the sea. Mexico, Costa Rica, and Guatemala have been mentioned as possible take-off points for the planes to be used in the air attack.
5. The Mission has no information to confirm the allegations made in the attachment to the Department of State Instruction cited in the referenced dispatch

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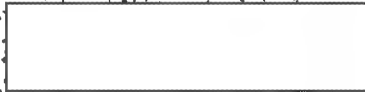
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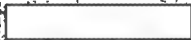
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concerning the concentration of arms in the hands of Cuban youth leaders. JOSE MARTIN VILLALBA, and PEDRO DOMIN are well-known leaders of the Organización Juvenil (Youth) and as such have participated in every political activity against the Batista government, demanding the restoration of the Constitution of 1940 and the holding of general elections. There is no record of Bernardo SANCHEZ GONZALEZ in the Illinois files.



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4. There has been no information received which would confirm the allegations concerning the concentration of arms in the hands of Cuban youth leaders. Jose IGLESIAS, Max LESNICK, and Pedro GUMER are well-known leaders of the Juventud Ortodoxa (Orthodox Youth) and, as such, have participated in covert opposition activities against the BATISTA government, demanding the restoration of the Constitution of 1940 and the holding of general elections.

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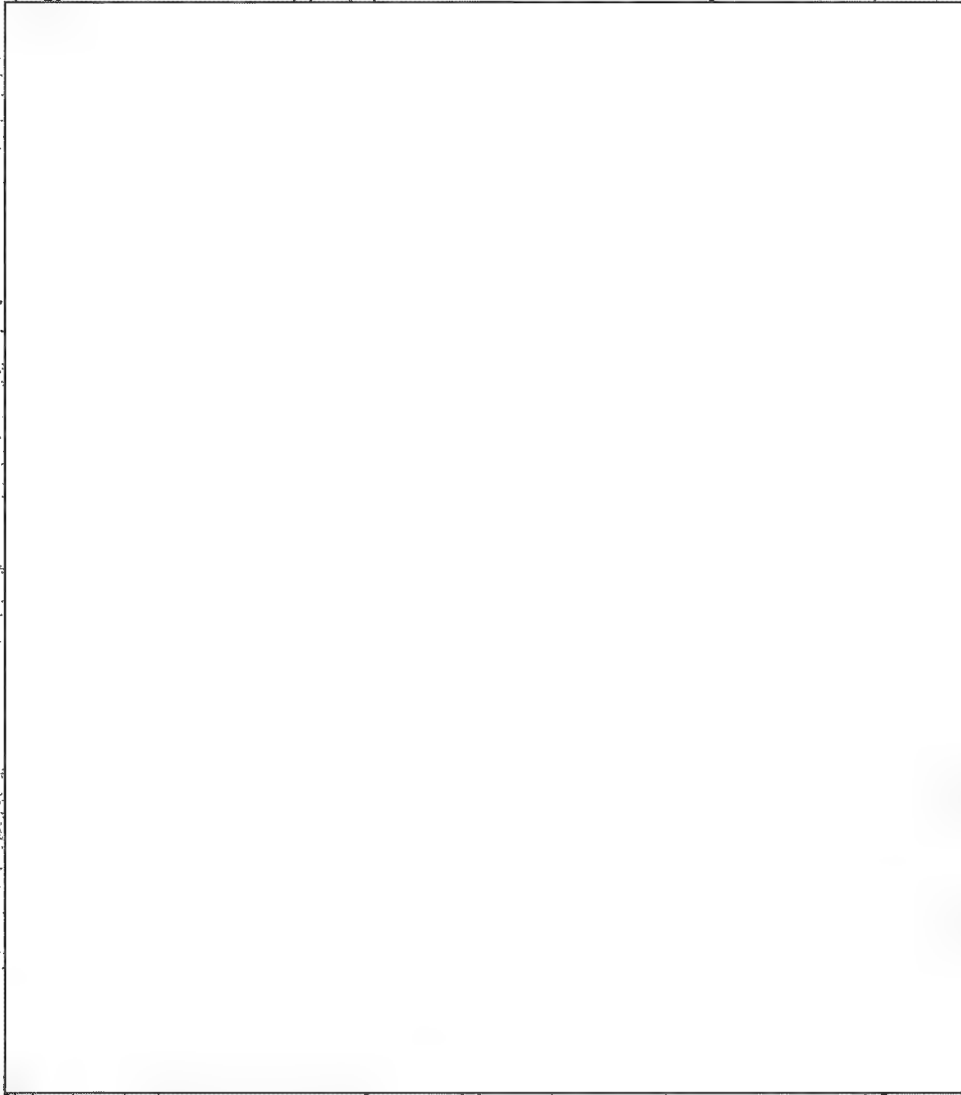
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Early in April of 1952, about a month after the Coup de Etat of General Fulgencio Batista, the deposed president, Dr. Carlos Prío Socarrás entrusted to his ex-minister of Education and State, Dr. Aureliano Sánchez Arango the responsibility of organizing a vast subversive movement, created to depose in turn Batista, and return to power the Cuban Revolutionary Party (Partido Revolucionario Cubano) if this were at all possible. The first steps taken by Dr. Sánchez Arango were to give a political form to the movement, and to create favorable conditions for an uprising (putch) at the precisely opportune moment, to be called "the zero hour." Immediately after Batista took over, the PRC found itself destitute of any kind of influence, since all former officials were dismissed by Batista. Hence Dr. Sánchez Arango began to reconstruct the PRC, placing in the positions of command some of the most sincere members of the party, most of whom had formerly been in secondary status in party affairs, and in Government affairs.

While Dr. Antonio Gu Varona was again made President, men such as Dr. Arcadio Acui, Dr. Armando Hernández and a few others, became the most prominent figures of the Party. Immediately, the PRC began a campaign of passive legal opposition to the administration of the Batista Government, whose every step received the condemnation and adverse criticism of the Propaganda Committee of the Party. In addition, three times a week in the newspaper, Free Press (Prensa Libre), articles by Dr. Arcadio Acui and Dr. Fene Gallo pictured the present Government as a "do nothing" one, with policies, or lack of policies, contrary to the public interest. At the same time the articles were designed to restore to the Party the faith which formerly it had enjoyed from the Cuban masses.

In the meantime, Dr. Sánchez Arango initiated the opposition by force in the Central American countries. Almost immediately he found out that the reconstructed PRC was gaining no ground with the people and that he would have to create a new political formula to draw to the side of the opposition of insurrection, the general populace, by now disgusted not only with the Batista Government, but with the PRC as well. It was proposed that Dr. Roberto Agraronte, head of the Peoples Party (Partido del Pueblo Cubano), have an interview with Dr. Prío in Miami, but the latter declined on the ground that his party wanted to remain neutral in the whole affair. However, Emilio M. Ochoa opposed openly the ideas of his chief (Dr. Agraronte) advocating an alliance of the two parties to make the opposition more effective. To this end he went to Guatemala to see Dr. Sánchez Arango. While there, conferences were held in the home of Dr. Paul Coaguada, then Ambassador of Guatemala in Cuba, and now Foreign Minister of the Government of Colonel Arbenz. There various aspects of the movement were discussed, also the merging of the two parties. On the return of Sr. Ochoa to Cuba, eventually the amalgamation was effected with equal administration on the part of both of the parties. This end was hastened by a surreptitious visit of Dr. Arango (Sánchez) to his native soil (he was then a political refugee in Guatemala).

From the moment Batista took over the power in Cuba, Guatemala placed itself unconditionally on the side of Dr. Prío and served as a base for the military preparation of the conspiracy. Immediately the Caribbean League (logical at the time reduced to impotency, began to function again, to take a preponderant

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part in Latin American relations. In the latter part of 1952, the military plan was drawn up by Sanchez Arango with the aid of Foreign Minister Raul Orogueda and often in the conferences the presidential candidate (Costa Rica) Jose Figueres took an active part, promising the support of Costa Rica should he be elected president. Dr. Juan Jose Arevalo participated as well, to the extent of using his influence with the Guatemalan Army officials that they might join the movement later. On the Caribbean coast of Guatemala is a place called Livingston. To the east, there is a road which leads to a little native village (Indigena) name for the moment forgotten by this agent. To the southwest of this place, there is a very bad road which ends in a little valley at the end of which there is a series of low hills. Back of these hills is situated a camp of the Caribbean Legion. Here is established the General Headquarters of Aureliano Sanchez Arango. There exists here a force of 4,000 men regularly trained, quartered and fed. Military practice is held daily under the direction of General Abelardo Cuadra, veteran of the Spanish Civil War and one of the organizers of the movement of Cayo Confites.

The force situated here is divided into two battalions, one named Battalion #4, PABLO DE LA TORRE Y BARRA, the other Battalion #5, IGNACIO AGUIAR. The force is divided into small groups and taught to use machine guns (tripod type), also hand type Carabid Rifles, automatic repeating rifles M-1. Nearly all the officers are veterans of the Spanish Civil War. In addition to the military practice, the officers get together once a week for conferences over historical and political matters as expounded by Juan Jose Arevalo, Romulo Estancourt, Aureliano Sanchez Arango, etc.

Near Livingston there is a little gulf on which is situated Puerto Barrios. South of this port, there is a tiny port not marked on the map, named Montagua. In this place with landing craft, practice is held with the idea of disembarking in Cuba. From Montagua, several shipments of arms have been made to Cuba. The other large concentration of men and arms is in Costa Rica.

Northwest of Puerto Limon on the Caribbean coast of Costa Rica, there is a place known as la Virgen. Back of this reached by a small country road, back of some low hills, is found the camp. Here are 2,000 men or more divided into three battalions, #1 Augusto Cesar Sandino, #2 Morazan, #3 Antonio Maceo. A little north of this camp, there is a kind of landing field which contains four (English) Lancaster Bombers, acquired from Canada by Ingeniero Carlos Hevia in Canada. The men in this camp carry English repeating rifles, but they also have Thompson machine guns and Mandonza machine guns with plenty of ammunition. The men in Guatemala also have this additional arm.

The plan is that on landing in Cuba of the "patriots" these arms will be given to all the civilians who are sympathetic with the cause. Cubans generally are more familiar with this type of arm than the English repeating rifle, whose use is not easy to learn in a few minutes. The crew of the planes are English. The leader of the outfit is a Canadian named Christopher, who was a Captain RAF during the war, flying Lancaster Bombers. He is a personal friend of Carlos Roca Fongro. This camp did not amount to much when Cutillo Ulate was President of Costa Rica, but the minute Figueres came to power, the arms and men began to

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flow in, in quantity, from Guatemala, which has been the great center for the accumulation of arms. From a place in British Honduras named Middlesex, many rifles were secured with the connivance of British officers stationed there, then passed across the border.

The plan of invasion is as follows: When the zero hour comes, planes from Costa Rica and Guatemala will arrive at Habana prepared to drop bombs over the most important military posts in Cuba. As stated before, the crews of these planes are English "mercenaries" who, for money have agreed to take part in this adventure, regardless of their politics. Coincidentally, the men from the camps in Central America will be landed in various parts of the Island. At the same time there will appear in the streets members of both parties, well-armed, to battle the local police, capture them, take over the civilian authority. While all this fighting is going on, leaders of the political parties under the direction of Eufemio Fernandez and Jesus Domínguez Cartas will capture the personages most prominent of the actual administration, who, once the revolution is successful, will be put in jail under the charge of murder. With this action, it is expected that most of the citizens will come over to the side of the conspirators. Judging from things heard by this agent in an interview held in a Mexico Hotel between Juan José Arevalo and Ex-Colonel, Dr. In Alona, the battle is set to take place before the general sale of the next sugar crop, about January of next year. While not within the province of this agent, he has learned that General Peron is favorable to the conspiracy, sending arms of Argentine manufacture to the Central American camps.

On various occasions, cargoes of arms of different makes and kinds have been introduced into the Island, a procedure now made very difficult because of the vigilance of the Cuban airforce, who constantly patrol the space between Cuba and Central America. This agent knows about the following concentrations: in the hands of "Cuban orthodox youth," headed by José Polesias, José Benrick and Bernard Blance Goudin, there are more than 600 machine guns, 10,000 grenades (hand type) all of Mexican manufacture. The arms are hidden in the "finca" of the son of José Manuel Cortina, in Pinar del Rio. In the hands of Pedro Izman, head of the youth movement in Irujo, are about 100 machine guns, 50 grenades and 10 or 12 rifles M-1. The arms are hidden in a house situated near the "Central Toledo" property of the secretary general of the workers of that central.

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COMMENTS

The fact that the Communist Party of Cuba would take the measures described in the attached report is not considered surprising. As can be seen from a study of Embassy dispatches and from our past reports on this subject, the PSP is finding itself in an increasingly worse position, politically, financially, and psychologically. The greatest strength of the PSP comes from ignorant laborers who are, by US standards, at least, exploited. The government reportedly has about one-half a million unemployed in Cuba. It is only logical, therefore, that communist strength remains, at present, in the field where Marxist ideology has always been used to the best advantage, that of the ignorant workers. It is probably that the PSP, as a political party, will no longer carry the weight and respect it has in the past, at least until economic conditions in Cuba grow much worse, or until the present East-West tension diminishes considerably. Until recently, two possible solutions to the PSP's present predicament lay in its uniting with the Orthodox Party or with the FAU. Concerning the Orthodox Party, it is known that the leftist groups within that party (Vicentini, ANTONIA, PAULO LLADA, MAKIN, and others) are militating for a pact with the communists (See copy of memorandum from E. T. CRAIN to the Ambassador, dated January 23, 1952, copy of which is attached), but, so far, have been checked by the anti-communist elements within the Orthodox Party. Until recently, conservative anti-BATISTA elements in Cuba stated with conviction that BATISTA would join with the communists in a selfish attempt to gain the Presidency. However, BATISTA, in two articles appearing in Caribbean, December 2 and 13, 1951, closed the door on rumors of this kind by stating the only way the PSP and the FAU could unite would be if the PSP would publicly state that, in case of an international conflict, the PSP would side with the United Nations and against Russia. An interesting sequel to this statement, and possibly connected with it, was a 3-leaflet distributed in the streets of Habana in early January entitled, "To the Workers of the FAU and to the People of Cuba", signed by Ceballos FERNANDEZ VELLIZ (Payari), leader of the Bloque Obrero del FAU, which is known for its leftist and pro-communist sympathies. In the leaflet, FERNANDEZ claimed that BATISTA had tried to destroy him and expell him from the Bloque Obrero, purportedly, because FERNANDEZ had tried to defend "the interest of the working classes and of the Bloque Obrero within the FAU, a real and decided opposition line to the government, and is determined that a united oppositionist front be formed to defend

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the government in the next elections". The pamphlet went on to say that "the action of EMLISTA is a direct aid to the very government we are fighting, a government which uses the fascist system to destroy the leaders of the workers by putting gangsters and thieves at the head of the syndicates, attacking the union halls and serving the ends of the exploiting magnates and oppressing and pursuing the true workers".

It is felt that the value of the attached information is primarily to point out a possible new force in the Cuban political scene, composed of labor groups, within the FAU and the Ortodoxo Party, who are dissatisfied with their own national party leadership and who can and probably will join with similar groups in the PSP in an attempt to get power for themselves.

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1. The two main centers of communist penetration and sympathy in the Cuban syndical movement are found in the Bloque Obrero del Partido Accion Unitaria and in the Sindicato Obrero Ortodoxo of the Partido del Pueblo Cubano (Ortodoxo). These groups have shown dislike for anti-communist labor leaders who have tried to join them despite the fact that these labor leaders are well-known for their honesty, ability and good intentions in furthering the labor movement in Cuba. In the past few months, and more particularly within the past few weeks, the collaboration between these groups and the Partido Socialista Popular syndical elements has become so close that it has alarmed the anti-communist Confederacion de Trabajadores de Cuba.

COMMENT: As has been previously reported, the present political, as well as financial condition of the Cuban Communist Party is extremely serious. It would appear that the stigma of a pact with the communists is sure political death for other political parties in the coming elections of June 1952. This has forced the POP into an isolated position from which there does not appear to be any escape through aligning itself with another political party.

2. The communists have been and are now carrying on a campaign in these syndicates to penetrate and undermine the anti-government labor factions in an effort to gain control of these groups at a later date. This campaign was waged in three stages.
 - a. The first stage was the communists' penetration of the anti-communist syndicates, paying up their union dues and using their voice and vote in the union meetings to propose and elect their candidates for committee positions.
 - b. The second stage was to sow seeds of doubt among the members of these groups in joining with any of the anti-communist labor federations or with the government CTC by accusing the CTC leaders of having sold themselves out to the employers and to the government which are depicted as the enemies of the laboring man. The communists have always tried to exploit the anti-government feeling in these labor groups - particularly within the Bloque Obrero del PAU - in an effort to destroy the anti-communist labor leaders in the various syndicates.

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- c. The third stage, which seems to be going on now, is the ever increasing number of rapprochments between the Ortodoxo and PAU labor leaders and the communists. This is the result of a and b (above), and is perhaps hastened by the strong undercurrent of dissatisfaction with the PRIO regime combined with their desire to vote this regime out of power in the forthcoming elections.
3. As an example of the success of this campaign, source supplies the following. In the Sindicato Provincial de Obreros de la Gema de la Habana, elections for a new executive committee were held January 17, 1952. The anti-communist syndicate led by Ramon LIMA won by more than 100 votes receiving 352 votes in all. However, the Ortodoxo candidates within the syndicate, supported by the communists and members of the Bloque Obrero del PAU, obtained 247 votes. In the Sindicato Textilero de San Antonio de las Bañas, elections were also held recently. Again, the Ortodoxos, communists, and members of the PAU united against the anti-communist candidates. In this case, the anti-communist candidates won by only 16 votes, the anti-communists obtaining 141 and the opposition obtaining 125 votes.
 4. In the Sindicato de Obreros y Empleados de Crucillas, S. A., the leadership is held by the Ortodoxos, Emilio MENDY and Tomas RIVERA. Up until recently, these leaders were in sympathy with the anti-communist CTC. However, they have recently permitted the entry of communists into their syndicate without requiring them to pay up their back dues. These leaders have also become friendly with the communist leader, Angel RUIZES, who is a member of the PSP Executive Committee of the Carro district, and two other communists, one an (fau) REGA and another who goes by the name "Traga-niquel".



These communists and the two Ortodoxo leaders of the Crucillas Sindicato are often seen together in the Club Casino which is opposite the Crucillas plant. At the present time, there is a good deal of labor unrest in this plant because the owners are attempting to reduce the labor force. Some of the workers are proposing that the syndicate join with the government CTC so that the latter body will take action and prevent them from losing their jobs. In answer to this, the Ortodoxo leaders in the plant are saying that the Crucillas workers will have to solve this problem by themselves as the government CTC is only the "tool of the employers and of PRIO who has sold out to the big industrialists". The workers are tired, demoralized and discouraged and are saying, "And was this the reason the communists were expelled from the CTC? It was a thousand times better under LACRUZ!" A desire to join any group which might help them in their present plight - including the communists - is now becoming stronger.



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Date: February 20, 1952

SOURCE COMMENT: The owners of the Crusellas plant are in the process of reducing the labor force by 50-60% and hope to maintain the same production rate as before. The dismissed workers will be transferred to a new plant in the process of construction where the detergent, "FAB", is to be manufactured. The workers are discouraged because they claim that the work performed in the Crusellas plant requires all of the present labor force and the company should hire additional men to work in the FAB plant. The attempt of the Crusellas owners to reduce the labor force in this manner is against standing labor laws of the country, but the Crusellas syndicate led by the Ortodoxo labor leaders who are being advised by their communist friends, is taking advantage of the present situation in furthering their own interests.

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MEMORANDUM

January 28, 1952

To: The Ambassador

From: [REDACTED]

Subject: Dr. Fortell Vila warns Embassy that Cutodero left-wingers are trying to bring Communists into the party.

Dr. Fortell Vila called today at the Embassy and during the course of the conversation spoke of his grave preoccupation regarding the efforts of Cutodero left-wingers to bring Communists into the party.

He stated that Fardo Llada, Eduardo Corona, Vicentina Antuña, Max Lornik and others were trying to get Communists into the Cutodero party. He said that, specifically, they were trying to get the notorious Communist, Salvador Garcia Aguirre, not only into the Cutodero party but to run as an Cutodero candidate for senator. He said that a group of Cutoderos approached him on the matter to learn his views and he told them he would resist such a move with all his strength.

Fortell Vila said he considered the matter so urgent that he at once wrote an article entitled "Una Comunistica" which he was going to try to get into El Mundo of January 29 instead of Wednesday the 30th which is the day of the week when his column usually appears. He said this would be an extension of his article published January 20 in El Mundo.

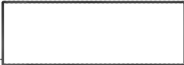
I told Fortell Vila that while the Embassy maintained a strict neutral attitude in the matter of Cuban politics, it would have a very deep interest in anything pertaining to the Communists when we considered an enemy common to all free countries and free national political parties. I congratulated him on his efforts to keep Communists out of his own Cutodero party and wished him every success in this undertaking. I said I assumed that if the party announced notorious Communists as Cutodero candidates for office that the party would presumably lose a lot of support from persons who did not wish to be associated with Communists. I added that I hoped my assumption was not mere wishful thinking. He stated that it was definitely not wishful thinking. He stated that it was definitely not wishful thinking and that is exactly what would happen. He said that he would revertible express the efforts of Fardo Llada and company with all the strength at his command, regardless of whether an association with Communists won or lost votes for the Cutodero party.

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Dr. Portell Vila indicated that he would try to keep me informed of developments within the Comintern party in so far as they related to the Communist. I thanked him, reiterating that my sole interest in the matter was the common threat of Communism to all free nations and particularly Communist success or failure in infiltrating into democratic political parties.



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COMMENTS

Our TGH-1266 tried to answer as fully as possible ID-977 but it was realized at that time that more complete information on the Juventud Socialista would be appreciated by Headquarters. Amlikar, therefore, was requested to supply us with information which we felt Ambivalent had not supplied previously. The attached report confirms partial information previously supplied by Ambivalent and supplies additional information of interest.

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Subject: Further Information on
the Juventud Socialista.

Report No. TCM-1365.

Date of Information: 2 Jan 51.

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1. The PSP (Partido Socialista Popular, Cuban Communist Party) high command maintains continued interest to a very large degree in the Juventud Socialista organization. One of the principal tasks of the communist party is to maintain the direction of a strong communist youth movement which will respond only to the ideological foundation of the communist party. In the PSP, the most insistent voice of this communist principle is that of BLAS ROCA who takes a personal interest in the direction of the Juventud Socialista and constantly watches over its activities through trusted lieutenants. Many of the present leaders of the PSP were formerly leaders of the Juventud Comunista, the former Juventud Socialista. Men of this type are Severo AGUIRRE, Agsee SUAREZ, and Osvaldo GARCIA, prominent PSP member in Camagney Province. On its own part, the Juventud Socialista maintains a close liaison with the National Executive Committee of the PSP through its leader, Flavio BRAVO, who attends the weekly meetings of the National Committee.
 2. The caliber of the Juventud Socialista direction is high. Its leaders are militant communists and many members of the Juventud Socialista National and Provincial Committees have been political candidates for various government offices in past elections. Second to Flavio BRAVO in the leadership of the group is Luis AS MARTIN; both of these men were political candidates in recent elections and have attended various conferences abroad. Other leaders of note are: Lionel SOTO, President of the School of Philosophy, Habana University; Bienvenido ADRIAN and his wife, Yolanda LOPEZ PEREZ; Federico, Rita, and Georgina VILLAR, all children of the well-known communist leader, Cesar VILLAR, who were educated in Russia; Julio MACEDO; Bienvenido SUAREZ, Radu VALDES VIVO; Ramon CALCINES, Juventud Socialista member from Las Villas Province; Eidel DOMESTICH of Oriente Province; and ABEL (fnu) of the printing section of the Juventud Socialista. Other youth leaders not members of the Juventud Socialista but closely tied up with their activities are Alfredo GUEVARA; Enrique OVARES; Aramis SABADA, Max SHICK of the Ortodoxo Party, and Humberto L. MACEDO, President of the Juventud of the PAU (Partido Accion Unitaria) and Director of the newspaper, Yanquarilla Unitaria.

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3. The structure of the Juventud Socialista is like that of the PSP. It has committees in all the districts (barrios) of the City of Habana and in the larger cities of the interior. Up until now the Juventud Socialista has not had, according to source, clandestine leaders to take the place of the present overt leaders in case the party is outlawed, nor does it now have these clandestine leaders. However, source feels that there are many secondary and less well-known leaders within the Juventud Socialista who would be able to assume the direction of a clandestine communist youth organization if the PSP decided such an organization should be set up. Source supplies the following names as possible clandestine leaders of such an organization: Juli ACEDO, "responsable juvenil" (youth representative) of the CTC (Confederación de Trabajadores de Cuba) (Communist) a few years ago; Bienvenido SUAREZ, who is the "responsable juvenil" of the CTC (Communist) at present; Federico, Rita, and Georgina VILAR; Walterio CARBOELL, law school student, Habana University; and Hector CARBOELL, communist youth leader at the Ariguanabo textile plant, in Bauta, Habana Province.

4. The PRIO Administrative's anti-communist attitude over the past six months has not visibly affected unfavorably the unity of the Juventud Socialista, according to source. Source gives as a reason for this the fact that the ranks of the Juventud Socialista are composed of proven communist militant youths. Source claims he knows of only one case of defection from the Juventud Socialista ranks, that of a youth named Elio CAPESTANY, Juventud Socialista leader in the Escuela de Artes y Oficios, who has joined the Juventud del PAU.

Comment: As is well known, in other communist parties under similar circumstances and as we have previously reported, some communists have been instructed to infiltrate other political parties. It is difficult to understand how source can conclude positively that the CAPESTANY case was one of defection from the Juventud Socialista.

5. It is true, however, that the PSP has examined very carefully the ranks of the Juventud Socialista for signs of bourgeois weakness. The barrio committees of the PSP established similar committees of the Juventud Socialista with the purpose

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in mind of gaining new members for the party as a whole. The methods by which they tried to attract new members for the Juventud Socialista were made up of sewing clubs for girls, English classes, parlor games, and, from time to time, dances. This method had good results as far as getting the youth to draw closer to the Juventud Socialista; however, racial feeling militated against the complete success of this method for many white girls found that they were expected to mix and dance with negroes, which was against their personal convictions. As a result of this racial prejudice, the majority of negro girls among the Juventud Socialista ranks is noticeable. The PSP has now managed to purify the ranks of the Juventud Socialista in preparation for a harder life ahead. The former sewing circles, parlor games, and dances have disappeared and in their place entertainment less conducive to stirring up racial prejudice, such as excursions into the country, etc., are taking place. Today, the Juventud Socialista ranks can more or less be counted upon to act in a united fashion for the good of the PSP and to follow the orders of their leaders.

6. Although there are no official figures on the membership of the Juventud Socialista, source uses as a yardstick the fact that on one occasion Flavio BRAVO stated that there were more than 15,000 socialist youths in the nation and that of these more than 10,000 were in the City of Habana. Source believes that there is probably an overlap between a member of the Juventud Socialista who is of voting age and also affiliates with the PSP during elections. Taking into account this duplication of membership, source believes that the 15,000 figure is correct.
7. The present activities of the Juventud Socialista are listed as follows:
 - A. The most important job of the Juventud Socialista is its support of the peace-partisans' movement. This consists of street demonstrations, making signs for various parades, collecting signatures, etc.
 - B. The Juventud Socialista constantly tries to maintain good relations with other political youth organizations, such as the Juventud del PAU, of the Ortodoxos, and of the Auténticos libres. The Juventud Socialista also tries to influence

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and keep friends with the FEU (Federación Estudiantil Universitaria) of Habana University, the Masonic youth known as the AJEF, and various schools and universities throughout the island.

- C. They carried out certain demonstrations or propaganda in support of the communist "Plan Cubano contra la Crisis" and the "Conferencia en Defensa de la Economía Nacional."
8. In a national committee meeting of the PJP in June 1950 the directors of the party recommended that the Juventud Socialista spend its energy on the following assignments:
 - A. To work through peasant associations - or organize such associations where they did not exist - in an effort to get such groups to support the partisans of peace movement.
 - B. Make similar efforts among the negroes, intelligentsia, factories, schools, etc.
 - C. To explain to these masses that the USSR is standing for peace along with the popular democracies and China and to demonstrate that the imperialist US stands for war.
 - D. Unite the peasants to the fight of the working-class movement against the PRIO Government and imperialism. The Juventud Socialista should understand that the most important task of all is to perpetuate and further the partisans of peace movement.
9. Recent activities of the Juventud Socialista have been concerned with objections to the UN's entering into the Korean problem and the printing and distribution of their new teen-age magazine, Cascabel. The Juventud Socialista has participated in the past and now participates in worker activities, distributing manifestoes, attending parades, etc. Sometimes they have fought with the Movimiento Juvenil de la CTS (Government) or with elements of the Acción Revolucionaria Guiteras (ARG) in certain parades or to protect their propaganda signs; etc.
10. Flavio BRAVO in his position as leader of the Juventud Socialista maintains constant contact with youth leaders of the Ortodoxos, PAU, Auténticos Libres, AJEF, various student leaders, and protestant religious youth groups. Apart from this, source

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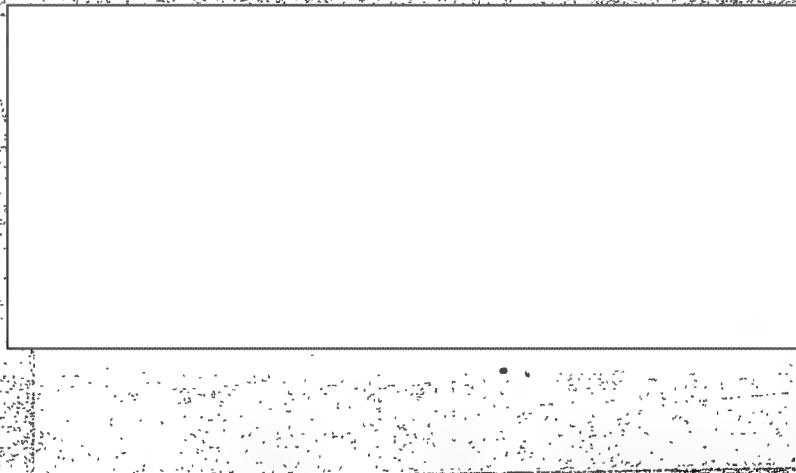
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does not supply any indication that BRAVO carries on clandestine liaison with or penetration activities into other youth groups.

11. The Comisión Juvenil of the CTC (Communist) is the same type of organization as the Juventud Socialista but with a different name. The only difference between these two is that the Juventud Socialista is a well-organized unit with a definite membership, whereas the Comisión Juvenil is under the direction of the CTC (Communist) and its membership is mainly made up of Juventud Socialista members with non-communist youths forming the balance. The head of the Comisión Juvenil of the CTC (Communist) is Bienvenido SUAREZ, negro, with his deputies, Hector CARBONELL and Julio ACEVEDO, also negroes. The official statements and acts of these men are guided and directed by Carlos FERNANDEZ R., one of the communist leaders of the CTC. The activities of the Comisión Juvenil are limited mainly to parades and demonstrations of the CTC itself and they do not have an organized existence in the same manner as the Juventud Socialista. Membership of the Comisión Juvenil is on a much more reduced scale than that of the Juventud Socialista.

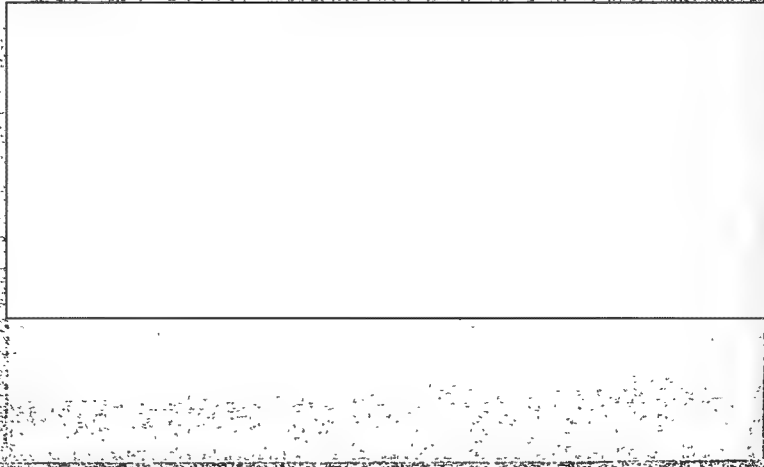
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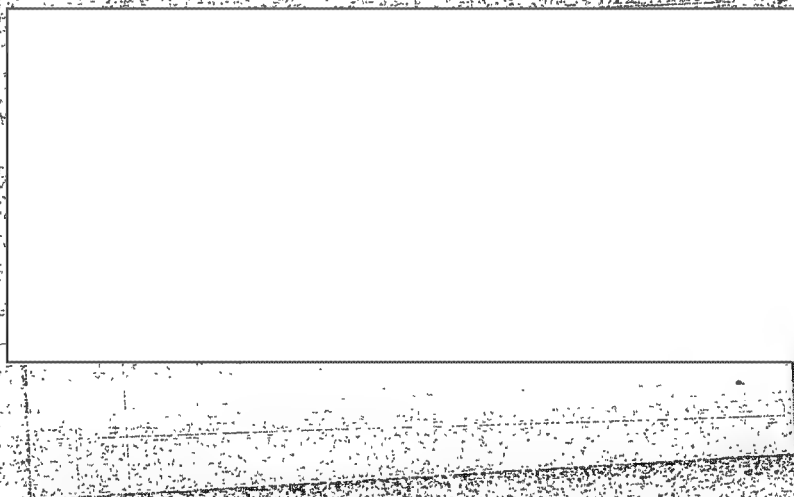


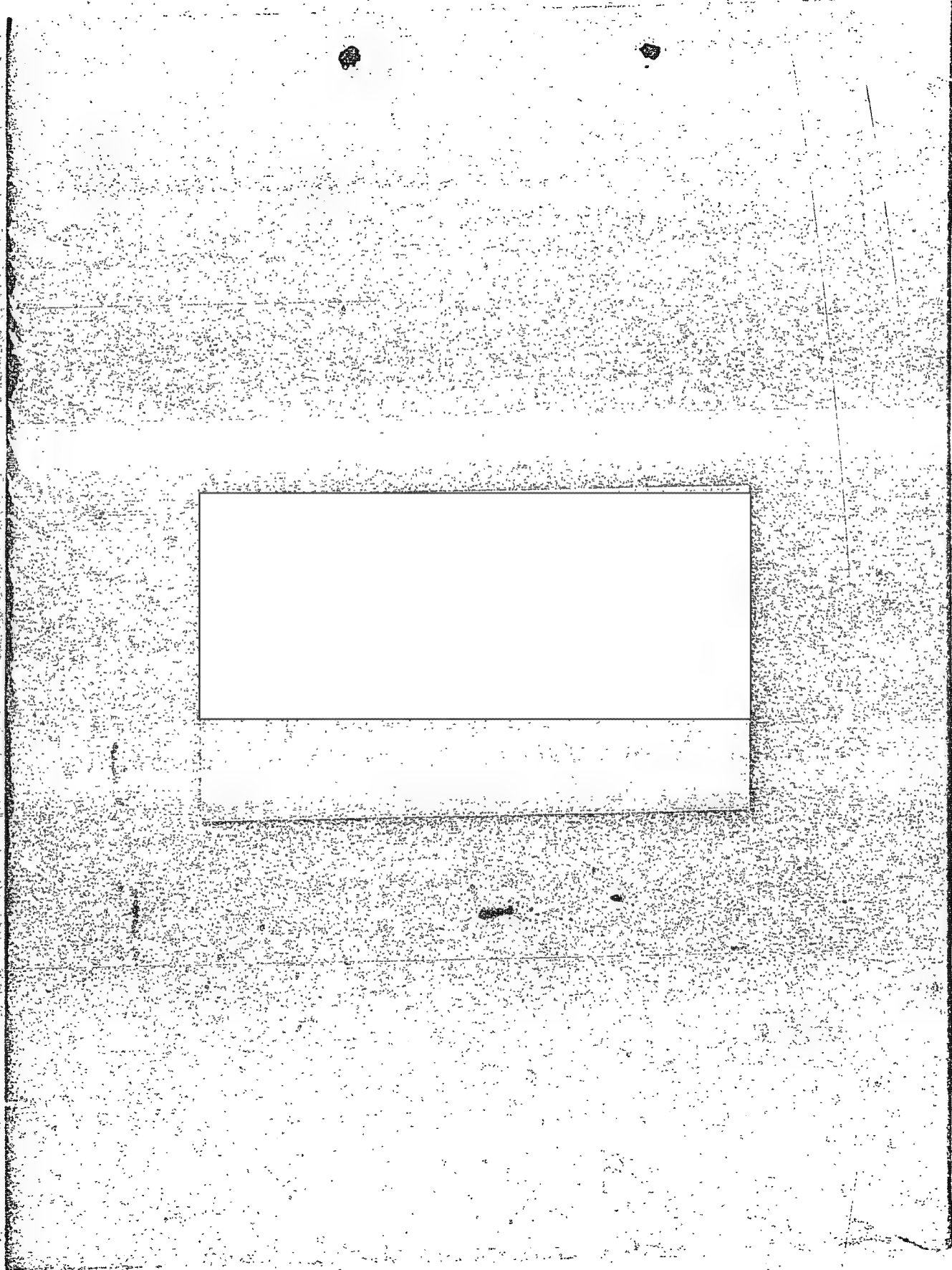
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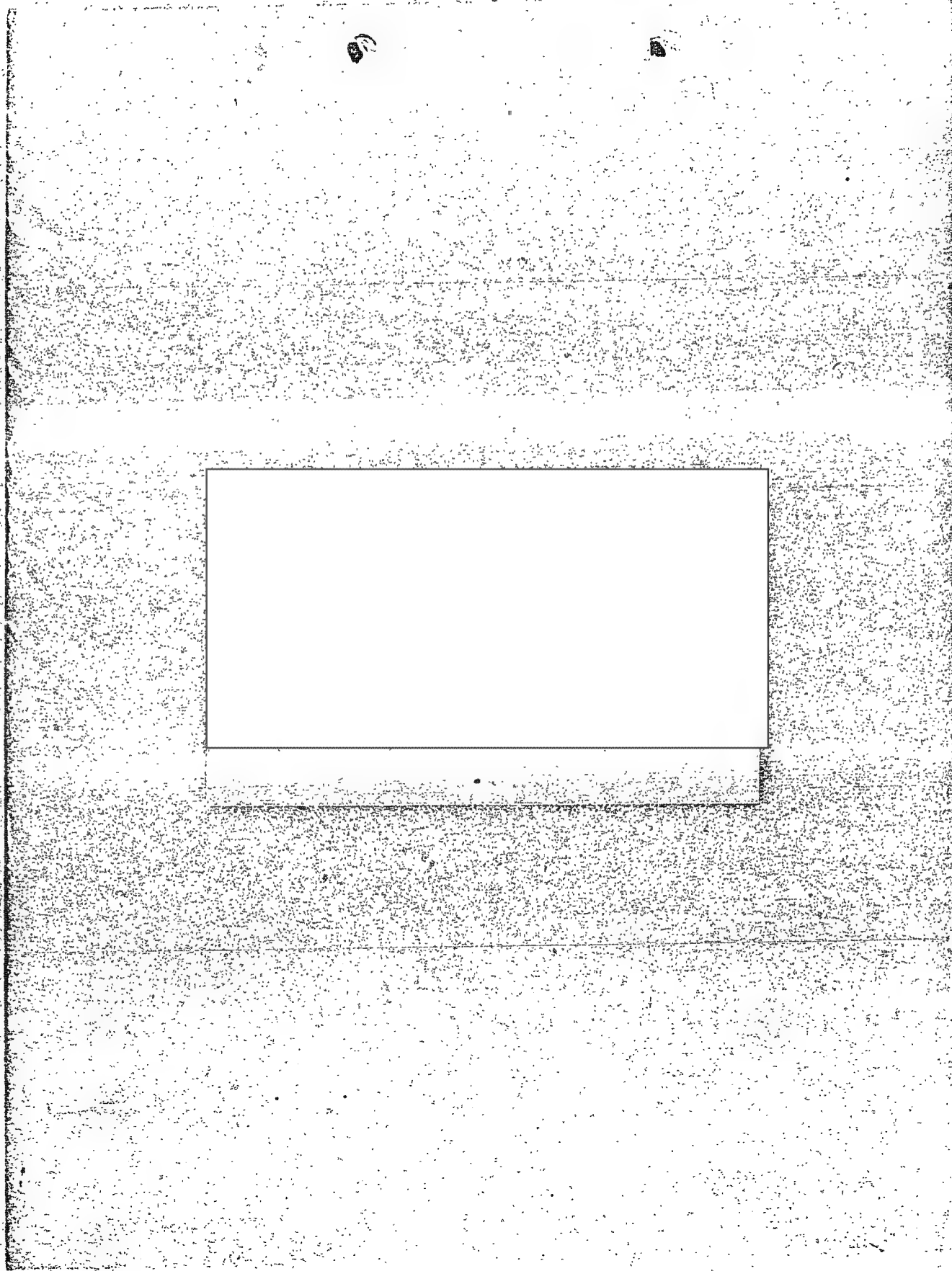
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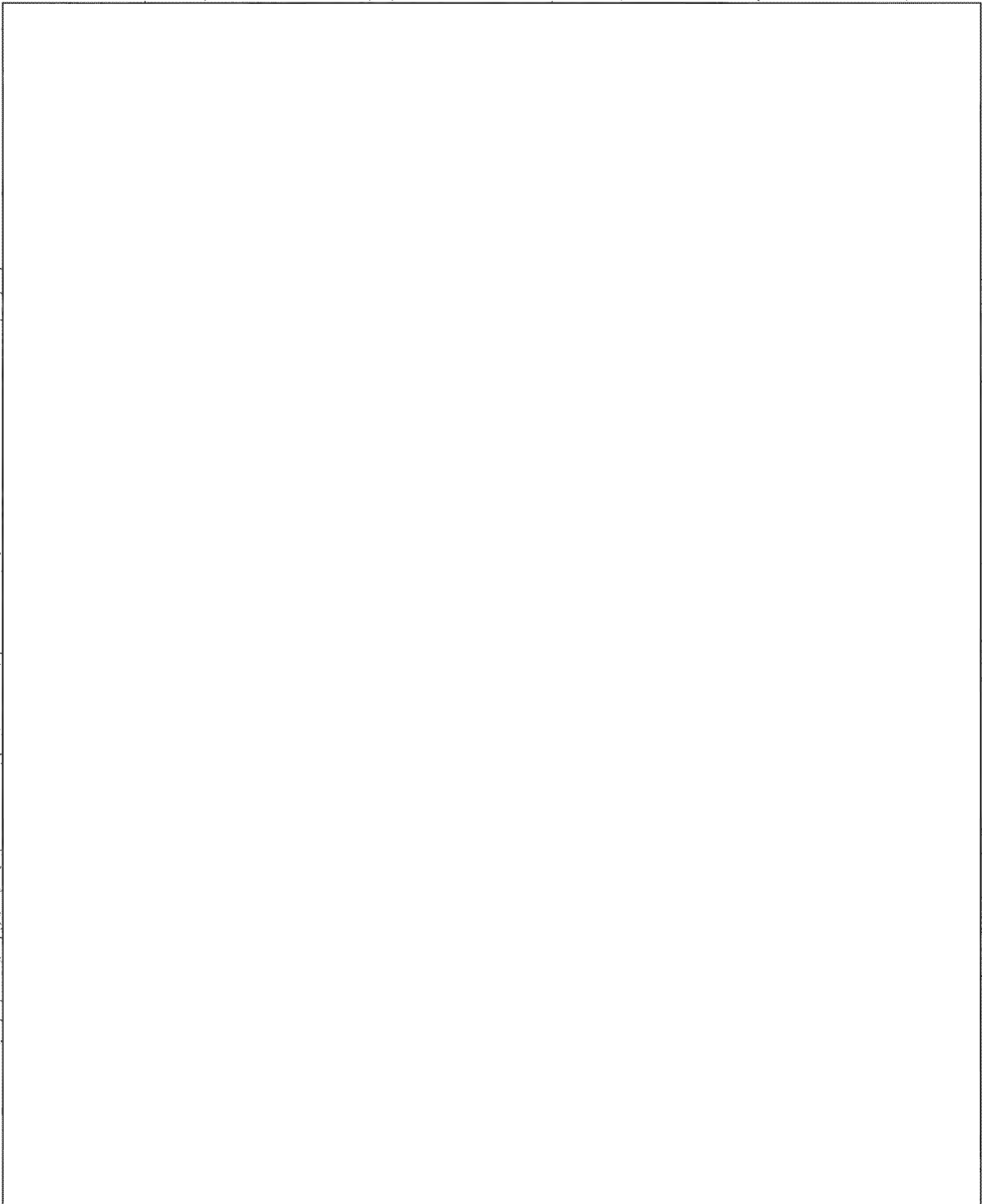












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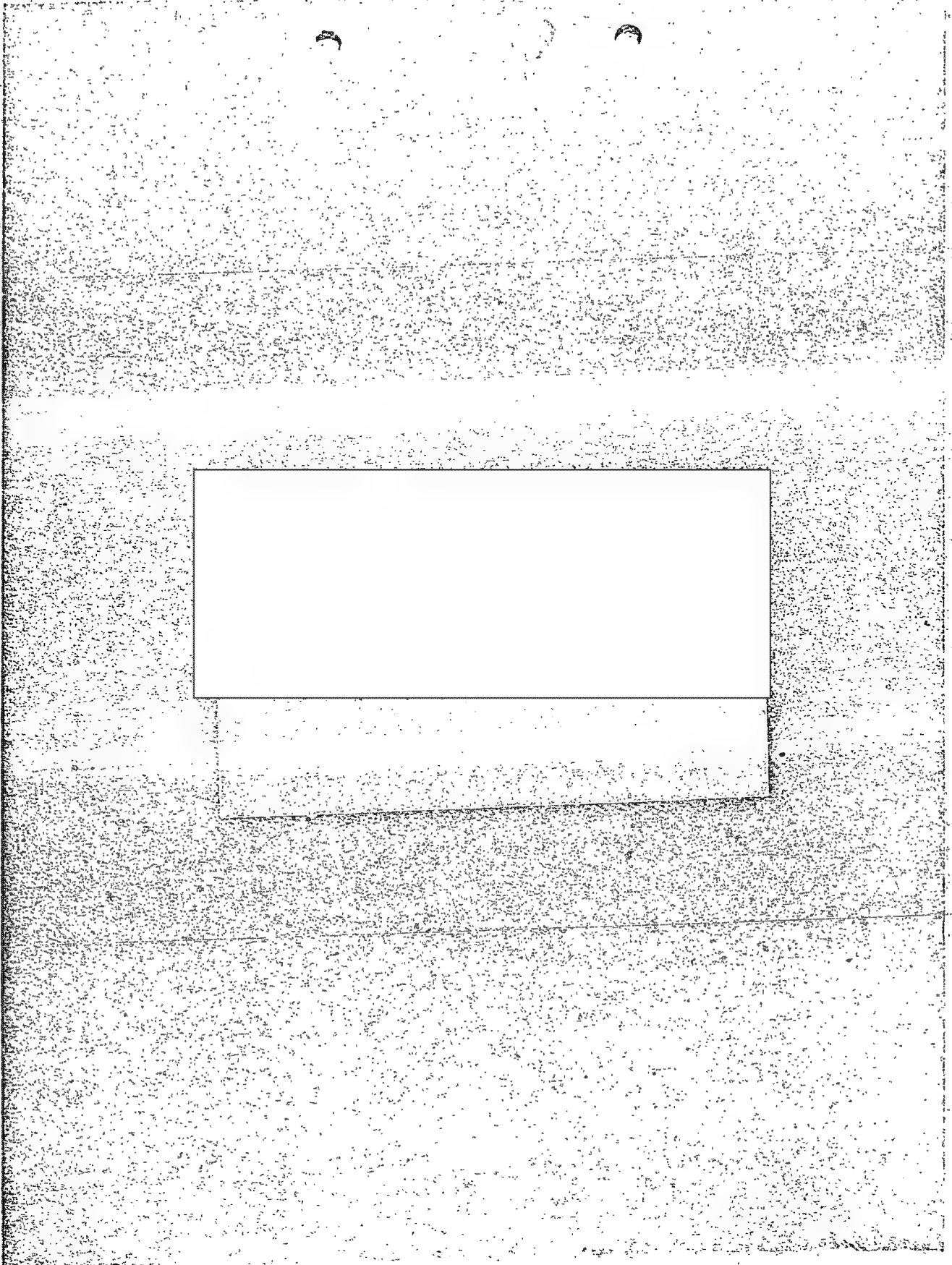
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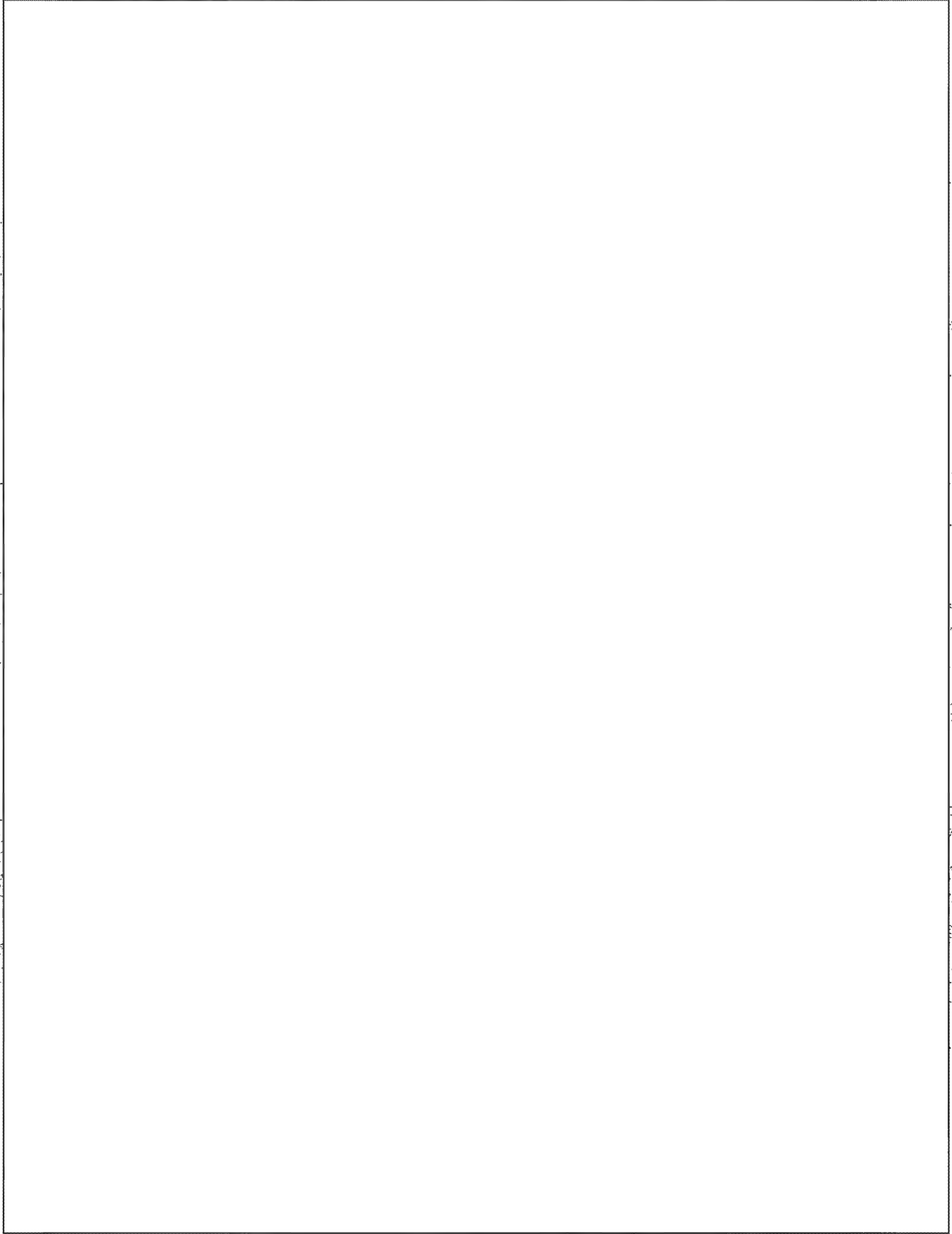
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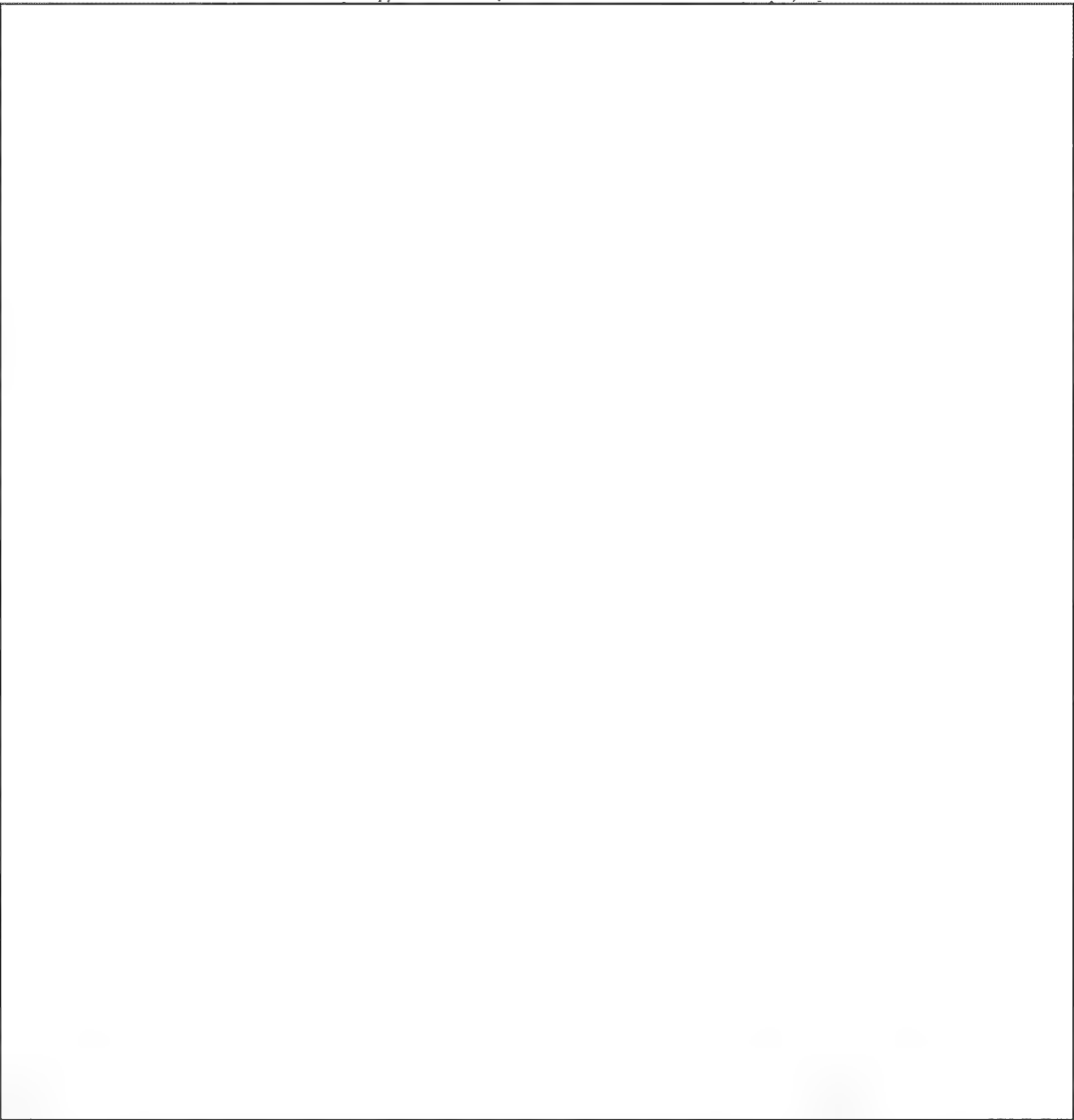
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(WAVE COMMENT: IN BOTH DAILY RADIO PROGRAM (IDEN B) AND NEWSPAPER (IDEN C) HE RUNS, IDEN A HAS CONSISTENTLY FOLLOWED ANTI KUBARK LINE SET BY AMBANG/1 INCLUDING HINTS THAT KUBARK BEING LEASED OUT OF PBRUMEN OPS. IN MEET WITH AMRAZZ/1, IDEN A PRESUMABLY USED AMJAG/7 NAME WHO HIGHLY RESPECTED ORDER LEND CREDENCE TO RUMOR AND THREW AMJAG/7-KUBARK TIE FOR MORE WEIGHT. AMJAG/7 CONSIDERED VERY

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B. AMTRUNK/1 (201-352252) TOLD AMRAZZ/1 10 AUG OF UNSPECIFIED RUMORS IN EXILE COMMUNITY RE POSSIBLE ODBEAT TAKEOVER OF ANTI PBRUMEN ACTIVITIES. TIME AND EXTENT ODBEAT TAKEOVER NOT KNOWN. AMTRUNK/1 SEES NO DRASTIC CHANGE EVEN IF RUMOR TRUE BUT SAID HE NOTICED GRADUAL DECREASE KUBARK PERSONNEL IN AREA SINCE FALL AMBIDDY/1 AND CORRESPONDING INCREASE ODBEAT AGENTS. ADDED HE PERSONALLY KNEW PBRUMENS IN AREA EMPLOYED BY ODBEAT BUT DECLINED PROVIDE NAMES. (WAVE COMMENTS: MANY MEMBERS AMWORLD ALLUDED TO RO CLAIMED KUBARK STATUS. DECREASE THESE TYPES SINCE DISBANDMENT AMWORLD COULD ACCOUNT FOR ALLEGED REDUCTION NUMBER KUBARK AGENTS WAVE AREA.)

2. WAVE FEELS RUMORS GENERATED SOME EXTENT BY AX-GRINDERS LIKE IDEN A AND BY OPPORTUNISTS HOPING FOR OVERALL CHANGE WHICH MIGHT ENABLE THEM GAIN ODYKE SUPPORT FOR OWN PERSONAL AIMS. NEWSPAPER IDEN D CONTRIBUTED TO START OF RUMORS BY PLAYING UP ODENVY "INVESTIGATION" KUBARK ACTIVITIES SANTO DOMINGO AND HINTING NEW CHIEF KUBARK INDICATED PHASE OUT CIVILIAN CONTROL ANTI PBRUMEN OPS.

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